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THE TUSKEGEE CONFERENCE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE FARMERS' CONFERENCE

Largely Attended—A Better Showing Made Each Year—Good Work of the "Village Improvement Society" —Report of Committee.

Booker T. Washington held his sixth annual session of the Farmers Conference on the 24th of February. It was largely attended despite the fact that the recent heavy rains had made the roads almost impassable. There were about seven hundred farmers including their wives. Twenty-four of the best Negro schools in the United states were represented. The following are only a very few of those who were present from abroad: Mrs. S. C. Armstrong and Miss Louisa Armstrong, widow and daughter of Gen. Armstrong, founder of Hampton; Dr. H. B. Fisher, principal of Institute, Hampton, Va., and Miss A. M. Hobbs of Hampton; president and Mrs. Cravath of Fisk University. Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. A. J. McFarland Beaver Falls, Pa.; Misses Packon and Apton, principals of Spellman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. Noah O. Rogers, New York City; Misses Pierce and Hatch of Plainville, Conn.; Rev. N. S. Shupe, editor Young People's Watchword, Dayton, O.; H. W. Collingwood, of the Rural New Yorker, New York City; W. A. Hunton, International Secretaay of Y. M. C. A., for colored work, Richmond, Va.; John Koren of New Haven, Conn.; special agent on "Relations" of Liquor to Economic Conditions"; president and treasurer G. W. Andrews and E. C. Silsby, Talladega College; President J. S. McCullock and Prof. J. R. Millin, Knoxville, Tenn., College; Mr. R. V. Simpson, Furman, Ala.; Rev. Pitt Dillingham and Miss Charlotte Thorne, Calhoun, Ala.; Capt. Henry Romeyn, McPherson Barracks, U. S. Regular Army; Rev. L. L. Wilson and Prof. Rhoden, LaPine, Ala.; Prof. J. W. Edwards, Thos. Johnson and Willis McCants, Snow Hill, Ala.; Profs. Benson and Calloway of Kowaliga, Ala., with about twenty-five of their students; the senior class of the Normal scheol at Montgomery came to make a study of the Conference; Rev. J. Q. Johnson and J. M. Brown of Montgomery, Ala; Miss Margaret Beard of Montgomery; Mrs. Fannie B. Williams of Chicago, Ill.; Hon. R. L. Smith of Oakland, Tex.; a member of the legislature of that state; Rev. Silas Jones, Prof L. Wilson of Waugh, Ala.; Mrs. Burnell and Miss Jones of Selma, Ala.; Rev. G. W. Jeter, Cowles Station, Ala.; Miss Georgia Washington, Mt. Meigs, Ala.; Everette O. Fisk, Boston, Mass.; Dr. Hubbard of Meharry Medical College, Nahsville, Tenn.; Rev. Dr. Whiton, "The Outlook," New York City; Dr. H. T. Johnson, Montgomery, Ala.; Rev. Dr. Rankin, President Howard University, Washington D. C.; W. H. Council, Normal, Ala.; Rev. Dr. Sanders, President Biddle University, Chorlotte, N. C; B. M. Thrasher, Boston Journal, Rev. Dr. Bumstead, President Atlanta University.

From 6 a. m. till 10 a. m., was spent in visiting about the school grounds. At 7 all industries were in operation and for three hours a steady stream of interested people passed through the shops. The machine shop, the foundry, blacksmith shop, wheelwright shop, printing office and dairy were objects of special interest.

The Montgomery Advertiser devoted two columns and a half to a graphic description of the first day's session and then spoke in an editorial as follows:

"There was nothing said or done that was not in a conservative direction. The conference has been held annually for several years and each one makes a better showing than the last. A contented laboring population is always more desirable than a dissatisfied one, and as the Negroes improve and better their conditions they become better citizens, more interested in the maintenance of law and order, and in every way better capacitated to properly enjoy the results of their labor. There is no other desire on the part of the white people than to have them prosper, to be contented and aid as quiet, honorable law abiding citizens in building up the State."

About 10 a. m. the confereuce was called to order by Booker Washington. It met this year in pavillion used for commencement purposes, the old Chapel where it had been held for five years having grown too small for the increasing numbers. The Pavilion was beautiful decorated with bright bunting U. S. flags and shields and many other very attractive designs, Mr. Washington then said: "I wish to call attention to the original purpose of these conferences. They were designed for the rank and file of the people, with the view of finding out such troubles as were within our own power to remedy. We can remedy our industrial condition, we can lengthen our school term with money and labor, we can have a higher order of religion and better morals, we can acquire property. I hope each one has come to get something to carry back with him. The conference will not amount to much if you simply consider yourself alone. You must carry into your own community, the help you get here. Lay hold of something that will help you and then use it to help somebody else. We want to see evidence of the value of these meetings in every community. I hope you will all speak out. We want to know the truth, whatever it may be. Do not exaggerate. If things are bad say so, if good say so. No one has been asked to prepare any speech. Speak simple as if at your own fireside or in the presence of only two or three."

While the committees on declaration and nomination were preparing their reports, Hon. R. L. Smith of Oakland, Tex., a member of the state legislature spoke a few words regarding the work he is doing which is very similar to the object of the Tuskegee Negro Conference. His statements show that he has been holding these conferences for several years around Oakland with good results. The smallest house in his vicinity has four rooms; and in many instances the people have luxurious and handsome homes. In five years fifteen families have expended $10,000 in buying homes or improving them. He has an organization among Negroes of Oakland known as the "Village Improvement Society." It has five objects viz., to get out of debt and keep out, to adopt improved methods of farming, to corporate in buying and selliag, to get homes and improve them. At this point the committee on declaration made the following report:

1st; We believe there must be ownership of the soil as the foundation of all progress and, since fully three-fourths of the Negro race lives by agriculture, we urge that more attention be given to improve methods of farming. the raising of stock, poultry and fruit.

2d. We discourage extravagance and advise all to live on less than they earn, that they may have homes and money in the bank which are among the evidences of our worth and progress.

3d. We advise preparation to withstand competition that we may continue to share, in an increasing degree, the common and skilled lobor of the South. in as much as in the business world fitness, not color, will be the test.

4th, We urge that each community keep its school open 6 months or more in the year and that our young people be kept busy. in school or at work, that they may not become loafers and criminals.

5th, We should make the immoral among the leaders or in the ranks, feel the force of our condemnation. Ministers should teach the people that religion should enter into the smallest details of daily life.

6th, We recognize the mutual dependence of the white and black races in the South and pledge ourselves to do all in our power to remove obstacles to our mutual progress.

7th, In morals, education and property we note, each year a steady gain. We advise the organizing of Negro Conferences throughout the South.

The declarations were discussed item by item; reports show more desire on the part of the farmers to own land and many are making successful efforts to procure it, In some communities the school term is nine months, in some eight, some six but the majority report a school term of only three months. Many of those who are laboring as teachers in the country districts testified their efforts to prolong the school with success in many cases. All were urged to keep their children more steadily employed in some manner if not by work in school, by reading books at home. Immorality among the masses as well as among the leaders was discussed. This matter is always spoken of somewhat reluctantly and gave reason to believe that there is still great room for improvement along these lines. The sixth declaration was not lengthily discussed but heartily agreed upon.

Twenty-four local conferences representing about half as many counties in the state have been organized within the last year. They are simply minature Tuskegee Negro Conferences and discuss very much the same questions and have the same objects. Reports from delegates of the various conferences are hopeful and indicate progress along right lines. We can only close the account of the first day's session with the first clause from the declaration "In morals, education and property we note each year, a steady gain." The workers meeting held the day following the Farmers conference. Perhaps it will be well for the readers of The Freeman to offer a word of explanation regarding the workers' meeting and its object. The list of names given in the account of the farmers' conference will indicate that there were a large number of persons of more or less distinction, who are interested in the problem of the race, or who are working directly for the race, present at this meeting. They were present at the farmers meeting, heard them state their grievances, needs and conditions; on the day following the workers were called together in a meeting to devise some uniform plans for remedying the evils, bettering the conditions or at least showing the people how they might do so. As one aptly expressed it, "We are here to know the conditions—then apply the remedy."

Most of the morning was given up to hearing the testimony from various representatives as to whether or not these conferences are worth while. Presidents Cravath, of Fisk, McCullough of Knoxville, Sanders of Biddle, Prin. Council of Normal, Dean Hubbard of Maharry, Miss Thorne of Calhoun and many other officers and presidents of schools and colleges expressed the belief that these conferences are eminently necessary, or as one put it, "The conference idea is absolutely indispensable." Not only yearly but monthly conferences should be held so the majority thought and expressed. Many of the representatives from other schools declare their intention to go home, "get down to the bottom of things" and organize conferences on the same plan.

White and black, North and South are awaking to the fact that other ways and means must be used beside what is done in the schools for the elevation of the masses; what better way can be found than that of teaching them to think, instructing them that there are better ways of living and ways different from that in which they now are living when this is done, the effect is marvelous, and the prediction is now that if conferences of the kind begun by Booker T. Washington are organized over the country the Negro problem will take far less time in solving itself.

PRESIDENT WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

Wedding Bells—Personals.

Niles, Mich., Special.

Miss Lillie Harrod who has been very sick is improving at this writing. Clarence Finley and Miss Ada Mitchell were married last week by Rev. C. F. Hill. We wish them a long and happy life. Jessie Carter is in Elkhart, Ind., this week. Horace Wilson of Chicago was in the city over Sunday to visit his wife. Miss Cora Ceasar is visiting in Elkhart, Ind. Ollie Stafford made his first appearance in this city with the Niles City Minstrels, being the only colored member in the company. His songs and dances were fine and he was repeatedly called to respond to encores. Harry Miller of South Bend. visited friends here last week. Invitations are out for the first reception and cake walk to be given by the Calumet Club of Benton Harbor on the 25th. It promises to be a swell affair. Fred Bird was arrested last week on suspicion of stealing from a traveling man stopping at the Gault House, but was discharged.

Anniversary Exercises

Danville, Va., Special.

There continues to be very much sickness in this city. A number of persons have died from la grippe while others are suffering from the same. The weather being bad on Sunday 28rd the First Baptist church was closed and there was no Sunday school. The exercises in connection with the first anniversary of the pastor of Calvery Baptist church, Rev. G. W. Goode, B D., took place March 1st, 2nd, and 3d at 7:30 o'clock p. m., and also Sunday March 7th at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pastors for the occasion were Revs. W. T. Hall, Mc L. Minter, I. H. C. Messer, R. G. Adams, and W. M. Moss, B. D. Rev G. W. Goode will preach the anniversary sermon at 7:30 p.m. Sunday March 7th. R. H. Hunt, W. T. Sutherlin and George W. Falden of Halifax county, were in the city visiting friends. Dr. James E. Shepherd of Charlotte, N. C., was in the city.

THE KNIGHTS TEMPLARS'

GRAND MEET IN THE MOUND CITY —FAREWELL BANQUET

Tendered Visiting Delegates—Mayor Waldridge and O. M. Wood Address this August Assembly—A Crisp, Spicy News Letter.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

A farewell banquet was tendered the visting Knights Templars in the First Baptist church last Tuesday evening. The banquet was prefaced with the impressive ceremony of the Knights Templars, and brief addresses by Mayor Cyrus P. Waldridge and O. M. Wood, Grand Recorder of the National Encampment Knights Templars. The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and every pew was crowded. Services were opened by Rev. R. H. Cole who delivered a short prayer. The prayer concluded, Grand Master C. W. Prentiss introduced Mayor Waldridge. The Knights received him standing, and saluted with their swords. Major Waldridge's address was brief and to the point. He complimented the race upon its progress and the splendid array of men and women before him. It was a pleasure to welcome them to the city who were banded together for the elevation of their fellow-man. To the visitors present he extended a most cordial welcome and wished them a pleasant homeward journey. O. M. Woods delivered a popular address. He referred to the great work accomplished by the Knights Templars and the future that lay before the organization. Speaking of the advantages which the order had conferred, he said: "To us who are Negroes, standing in the shadow of the civil war, the Order of Knights Templars has a special, almost sacred significance. It is but a short time since we are free, and now that we are free men, there are no people who wear the Knights Templars badge with more pride than we, for it is the symbol of our emancipated race. Let us go on, then, and make it a grand success. Let us strain every nerve toward the grand undertaking which was begun here yesterday, when the Knights Templars camps throughout the country convened in one grand national encampment." The newly elected grand officers are as follows: C. W. Prentiss, Grand Master; Oscar Harris, Very Eminent Deputy Master; J. J. Adams, Captain General; B. S. Harris, Treasurer; O. M. Wood, Recorder; Rev. Early Lawrence, Prelate. A second grand conclave will convene in the city of St Louis during the month of August next.

The Young Men's Republican Club, 13th, 15th and 3rd Wards Republican Clubs, also many leading citizens have offered resolutions endorsing Rev. H. W. Smith for the office of appraiser at the Port of St. Louis under the McKinley administration. Rev. Smith is a good Republican and faithful worker, therefore The Freeman has no hesitancy in endorsing and commending this gentleman.

The Ministers Alliance of the A. M. E. Zion church convened at the Metropolitan last Monday, Bishop Clinton presiding, and many theological and scientific questions were discussed.

Mrs. Alex Bailey, 2120 Lucas avenue, one of The Freeman's staunch supporters, is confined to her bed. We wish her a speedy recovery.

At the Dumas school the little folks of the kindergarten and Rooms 16 and 17 had a Washington's celebration last Friday afternoon. Many of the parents were present and expressed themselves well-pleased with the exercises. Principal Langston has been examining several of the rooms and found the work in a highly efficient state.

Messrs. Frank Hurt, J D. Russel and Harry Arnold have been appointed to temporary clerkships in the office of R. E. McMath, President the Board of Public Improvements.

RELATIVE VALUE OF SENSE AND BEAUTY.

Notwithstanding the lessons of moralists and the declamations of philosophers, it cannot be denied that all mankind have a national love, and even respect, for external beauty. In vain do they represnt it as a thing of no value in itself, as a frail and perishable flower; in vain do they exhaust all the depths of argument, all the stories of fancy, to prove the worthlessness of this amiable gift of nature. However persuasive their reasonings may appear, and however we may, for a time, fancy ourselves convinced by them, we have in our breasts a certain instinct which never fails to tell us that all is not satisfactory, and though we may not be able to prove that they are wrong, we feel a conviction that it is impossible that they should be right. They are certainly right in blaming those who are rendered vain by the possession of beauty, since vanity is at all times a fault; but there is a great difference between being vain of a thing and being happy that we have it; and that beauty, however little merit a woman can claim to herself for it, is really a quality which she may reasonably rejoice to possess, demands, I think, no very labored proof. Every one naturally wishes to please. To this end we know how important it is that the first impression we produce should be favorable.

Now this first impression is commonly produced through the medium of the eye, and this is frequently so powerful as to resist for a long time the opposing evidence of subsequent observation. Let a man of even the soundest judgment be presented to two women, equally strangers to him, but the one extremely handsome, the other without any remarkable advantages of person, and he will, without delib-

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DR. M. A. MAJORS VINDICATES

THE JUSTNESS OF CRITICISM AND ANSWERS HIS MALIGNER

In Thundering Tones—Answers the Alleged False Charges with Cold, Hard Facts—The "Hit Dog" will Howl—Some Ugly Rumors.

In an article from my pen anent "Race Progress," occurring in the columns of The Freeman of Jan. 2, some few Gulliver midgets have seen fit to take umbrage of what I said about a certain college president who has besmeared himself and blackened the mire of his surroundings, and contaminated several of his male mascots, seemed determined to blackmail me for the courage of speaking out. Even Dr. D. A. Graham, whom Dr. J. M. Henderson tells to "Go bathe in the Pool of Siloam," rises up with seeming indignation to challenge me in debate over the morals of the fellow who knows himself guilty. But we are treating principles and not men, and hence I shall not answer Mr. Graham's questions, for in fact it appears that he knows nothing and has everything yet to learn from the many things he shows himself incompetent in, judging from the many questions he puts to me. But I shall honor this disciple of Benny by making a few comments on the ugly deeds he admits many ministers to be guilty of.

Before doing this, however, I will say that a Texas banana colored "fessor" has done some tall lying, and in connection with my rejoinder to Dr. Graham, I shall condescend to wipe up the earth with the maligner by answering with facts the false charges he makes as reasonable excuse for my utterances, concerning which he calls himself down in Texas the "hit dog." Like D'Artigman of the Three Guardsman fame, I shall fence a bit with Dr. Graham, and when I have seen him through I shall finish the "fessor." Dr. Graham's article was good reading all through, but it does not drip with the honey dew that a ripened stentorian sermon would, bursting with the fermentation of religious fervor, when dealt out to a mass of profuse rainbow colors, resounding with amens, hallelujahs, etc., and neither shall be when he has to read the other side of the question backed up by his own admissions, feel like he does when he is paid a handsome collection for his athletic gyrations in the pulpit and his sacred humanitarian pains.

Dr. Graham may yet have to eat a lot of crow for all we know. It is whispered in Illinois that his nearest friends should pat him on the back and tell him to shut up. It is said openly that the good doctor has been under suspicion of Madam Rumor for several years, notably during '93. He knows what the charges were.

What I had to say in The Freeman of Jan. 2 with reference to the moral question was simply a consideration of principia von homnies. I have no reason for making specific charges, hence did not make any. The only favor I ever asked of Negro trustees was denied me and given to a white man. I have learned since that they had a laundry connected with the concern, and the young ladies could wash this man's wife's soiled linen. Of ill will, I have none; I had forgotten the matter until "some excuse" was offered by a banana colored trustee. But this calls to my mind how readily the prefix "A" of the denomination Dr. Graham chooses to laud, is snubbed when it comes to buying groceries from a colored grocer, meat from a colored butcher, and giving contracts to colored carpenters. We hold nothing personally against anyone connected with any college. We do assert that very improper lessons are being taught, bad examples are set, when a church smuggles a whispered disgrace, when it knows people are neither blind, crazy, nor indifferent to specific charges on its ministers or laymen, and wonder if by and through their religious remonstrance they are to base their hopes upon sweet rest, what kind of a place heaven is, and what the elements of a Godhead? A minister was turned out of the M. E. church for being caught with another minister's wife. Nothing daunted he was received at the A. M. E. conference with open arms and given a leading charge. Why should I be asked to give name, place and time? God knows what I say is true, and this is what hurts. Let us tell the truth; I do not say that other churches are not more befouled. I know instances in other churches equally, if not more disgraceful than I have mentioned, but as Dr. Graham says the A. M. E. church is in the lead. I knowing some of the hindrances to its progress, feeling justly proud of its progress, apply the scalpel and relieve it somewhat of its flufly plethoric condition. Bleeding has been extolled as a medical virtue.

Smarting under the seemingly unwholesome doctrine of principle enunciated in my article by Dr. Graham, not in a cool and collected manner, gives vent to the plaguarized and oft quoted "venom of his spleen," and in his parry with the writer shows that he is not skilled in the fencing art near as much as he is in dodging. He quotes:

"The Negro ministry has done the Negro great injury as well as good," and then he represents that ministry as ignorant, immoral and vicious, and fails to tell us of any services said ministry has rendered to the race.

I say now what I think what religion has done. Say what you will of the failures and errors of christian enthusiasm, no zeal which one might deem more rational has done half so much for suffering humanity. When it has missed its own ends, it has reached others to which no colder zeal would ever have addressed itself. But for the missionary army, baffled and beaten as it has often been, where would the advancing lines of civilization have stood, which are everywhere reducing the barbarism of the world? Christians have attempted many foolish things, but who have effected more wise ones? They may have said too much of despising the world, but who have done more to render it habitable? And again, if once among the poorest, the living springs of religion are touched, and a family becomes God-fearing, a transformation forthwith sets in; the rags disappear; the furniture returns; sickness abates; children brighten; quarrels cease; the hard times are tided over better than before, and happiness once dull and sullen is alive with hope and trust.

Now the above is my firm and abiding conception of christianity, and if this man Graham has any religion he thinks just as I do. Because I find logic of illustrating by mentioning incidents, does not show any less of my religious fervor or zeal for the cause of Christ or the redemption of mankind, but rather does it demonstrate the necessity of removing any bad taints, effecting our environment. The poor know so much better than the rich what poor people need. It is only the poor who really and truly feel for the poor. He says again:

"That preachers of to-day go astray sometimes is also true, but the same is true in the white ministry. One has only to read the newspapers to see constantly gross charges being made against white ministers. Why does not this moralist charge that the clergy in general is doing civilization great harm?"

The doctor has a peculiar, but very nice way of agreeing with me yet he would have me condemn christianity generally. I condemn no particular individual, nor doctrine. The above will abundantly show that I am wholly reconciled on the question. I do say that American christianity is besmirched with immoral lepers, whose honied tongues take more delight in robbing innocent females of their virtue, than all their efforts spent in saving souls, and the doctor agrees with me in the following:

"Now I will admit that we have had many ignorant, immoral and vicious preachers and that there are some of them still to be found."

Notice particularly and specifically—he says "many," and he does not fail to say what he means, because he gives as the cause the following. Notice how like the parts of a drama it reads:

"What the Negro needs most to-day is more practical christianity. His christianity, like that of his white brother, has been somewhat warped by his environments. If intelligent people could so warp the teaching of Jesus Christ as to favor slavery, with all its concomitant evils, it is not strange that the enslaved would also bend the same religion to favor their passion, especially when the master class set the example in unbridled indulgence of their lower natures. As character comes from maternity, immorality comes from the same. Practical christianity carefully educates the fathers and mothers that they may impart to their offsprings pure moral character. This is done, not merely by training, but it must be infused into the blood Thousands of characters are ruined before they are born; others are prepared for noble lives before they breathe the breath of life. This kind of teaching is what the Negro lacks. We must be taught how to strengthen the character of the unborn generations, and then each succeeding generation will be stronger than the other."

This is where the whole of Dr. Graham's article fails in any one of his proceeding statements. He deems me reckless for writing on morality, admits plainly the just grounds for my speculations, and then adds:

"If the doctor really knows of any such person as he describes, let him name him and all the parties implicated and tell us what the proofs are."

I am not the church counsel, the trustee board, nor have I the investigative authority of a bishop. I have heard it said from the pulpit: "If the curtain could be lifted back, and our lives laid bare, many a pretended saint would don the veil or leave for silent quarters of the universe," and that preacher tells the truth, sometimes, though he has lied often. I have been under the watch care only of the A. M. E. church, taken in under Rev. O. J. Leboeuf and Bishop A. Grant, who is and has always been a friend of mine, and again under Rev. J. E. Edwards. I have never been received into full connection in that church. I have done practice for Bishop Lee, and attended Mrs. Lee in several illnesses. Just before Bishop Lee left Texas, and desiring to renew his life insurance, he had me to give him a health certificate of his condition.

While Prof. H. T. Kealing was president I was invited by him to become a member of the college in the Nurse Training Department. I accepted and took the chair of Lecture on Hygiene. This I held until just a few weeks before I left Texas. At various times I was the recipient of kindnesses from the teachers and members of the trustee board which I shall ever love them for. In a book entitled "Noted Negro Women," Prof. Kealing saw the propriety in placing over his signature a short sketch of the writer, commending the work to the race generally, and Prof. Williams, whose mind is noted for forgetfulness, a bad quality in a teacher, found pleasure in saying the following: "Dr. M. A. Majors' book, Noted Negro Women is out, and is indeed a handsome volume. We know of no work of Afro-Americon authorship that has been issued in neater style. We find the narrative and the persons whose lives are portrayed in the book most engrossing. We hope our townsman who awoke and found himself famous will be financially rewarded for his venture."

The above is all true; does it look as though the writer had sworn vengeance and extermination on the bishop, the college, or any of its teachers?

M. A. MAJORS, M. D.,

Decatur, Ill.

A Moses of His Race.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I take great pleasure in writing you a few lines about your valuable paper. I like to read The Freeman; it is the best colored paper I ever read. I must say that The Freeman is the only paper that gives me courage and makes me believe that the Negro of America is a man; and it inspires me to press forward in the great and noble cause of promoting the Negro race of America. We have some very dark corners yet to be lighted up, and I trust that The Freeman will be one of the giant papers of the race. I will do what I can to assist in extending its circulation among my people here in the Indian Territory. Although our readers are few, the colored people here in the Indian Territory are dead to the sense of their duty on the following lines: Intellectually, morally, and financially, and no amount of sentiment will convince them to their advantage. They deject the great advantage of educating their children. We have a good school system, running from six to nine months, but the patrons seem to pay no attention to the future of their children by permitting them to grow up in sight of the school house and not sending them. Old people from 50 to 65 years of age pay no attention to the management of home; never think of acquiring a livelihood; never pay attention to what is going on in our national government; never encourage their sons and daughters to read newspapers So in that direction thing are discouraging. I use all of my influence to interest the colored people of this nation, because they are my race, and because I have an interest in their welfare in every given point. I am compelled to attend to that part because it seems to me that it is a duty devolved upon me to do what I can to save my people from the fetters of ignorance, because ignorance is rife here among the people generally among all races, none excluded. Their highest ambition is degradation and intemperance. Although we have schools, but no regular attendance; churches, but membership small. Our ministers are very poorly provided for and our teachers are very poorly paid for their service. Teachers' salaries range from $20 to $45 per month, with 25 per cent. discount on school warrants. Nothing wrong with the Nation's system on financial matters, as speculators buy them up at a big discount. I can not do well without The Freeman. I will write a good letter for publication if accepted by the publisher.

R. H. BUTLER.

Caddo, Ind. Ter.

BRYAN'S PAPER.

The Editor Again Restored to Health

Mr George W. Hervey, editor of the Weekly Omaha World Herald, is a perfect picture of health and looks more like the Hervey of other days. To see him now, one can hardly believe that he has been such a great sufferer. He writes of his failing health and recovery, in his characteristic way as follows:

"For several years I was troubled with indigestion so severe as to make it impossible to take more than two meals a day without intense suffering. I grew worse gradually until, July 1895, I was suddenly attacked with increased pain and soreness over the pit of my stomach and sharp pains in my right side which rapidly increased until I could scarcely get my breath. A physician was called for immediate relief and hypodermic injections of morphine were resorted to for relief. I was able to be out in about a week but had a second attack the following August, more intense than before. I was reduced from 156 to 134 lbs. in nine days and left wholly unable to take any nourishment. I lived on lime water and a very little milk for several days after. For one year I carried morphine pellets in my pockets ready for an emergency. All this time my stomach was sore and very sensitive. I discovered that what would agree with my stomach this week would probably not next week and that I was getting nearer and nearer to a final collapse. Iconsulted 3 of the best physicians in the state and two agreed fully as to my ailment but failed to give me relief. Having utterly failed to obtain relief, I finally made arrangements to go to Chicago to be treated when my little boy chanced to get a sample package of Dr. Kay's Renovator which he brought to me. I was induced to try it, not having the least faith in its virtues. I thought the sample relieved me and I purchased a 25 cent box. Before it was all used I had so improved that I was taking three meals a day, which I had not done for years. I then used one package of the large Dr. Kay's Renovator and one more of the small size. It is eight months since I commenced using Dr Kay's Renovator and I now have no symptoms whatever of my old trouble. I have recommended it to many of my friends for stomach trouble and I think all have reported relief." Geo W. Hervy, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 17, 1897. Dr. Kay's Renovator is sold by druggists or sent by mail for 25 cts. and $1. Booklet free Dr. B. J. Kay Medical Co., Omaha, Neb. Sold by H. C. Pomeroy, opp. post office.

Hypnotism Taught By Mail.

Business men and woman, professionals and private individuals of all classes are studying this subject under our direction, developing their latent powers and accomplishing what would otherwise be impossible. A pleasurable recreation rather than a difficult study. Spare moments sufficient. The exhilirating effects of the conscious possession of new powers afford rare intellectual and moral delight. All communications treated confidentially. Tuition reasonable. A beautiful booklet containing valuable information sent on application to Prof. Anderson, F. R. 37, Masonic Temple, Chicago.

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THE TALE OF HIS MIRACULOUS ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

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In more recent years the energies of Mr. Tourgee have been directed toward antagonizing lynch law, separate car laws and showing under what disadvantages the dark skinned American labors to obtain a living. In 1890 he formed the National Citizens Rights Association, whose objects and purposes were the same as the Afro-American League, though conducted by different methods, but whose life was unfortunately no longer. He served as counsel for the citizens' committee of New Orleans in its fight to have the Separate Car law declared unconstitutional, without pay. He has been particularly active against lynch law and in devising such legislation as would serve to check it, such as the law in Ohio, which makes counties responsible for lynching.

His tenacity to duty, as he saw it, has made him many enemies among the whites, but despite all this, for a score and more of years he has fought the battles of the Afro-American and American citizenship, and our appreciation can not be better shown than by endorsing and petitioning far his appointment In the great states of the middle West, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, the intensity of the past campaign made a complete organization necessary. Without doubt the semblance of that organization still exists in these states, or the means at least are at hand by which the people can be reached, so that petitions endorsing his candidacy could be easily circulated and forwarded to the proper place. It may not be much to do, but it would be a graceful act of appreciation, and it might prove the one thing needful. Press the button.

Speaking of the intensity of the last campaign, Michigan was not least in the bitterness of the battle that was fought and won. Under the charge of Robert Pelham, Jr, the Afro-American bureau of this state did yoeman service Mr. Pelham was quite a prominent figure at the headquarters of the Republican State committee, and his advice and counsel were freely asked and acted upon. He was ably assisted in his work by John J. Evans, of Battle Creek; W. Q. Atwood, Jr., of Saginaw; John A. Bell, of Grand Rapids; Elwood Bishop and James H. Cole, of Detroit; and Z. Beverly of Cassopolis. So well and thoroughly was the work done that Mr. Pelham received especial commendation, and a gold medal from the National committee in token of its appreciation. Mr. Pelham is of a hustling, and in politics a somewhat aggressive personality, and takes front rank among the rising young leaders of the race. He was one of the first McKinley men in this state, active in the creation of sentiment favoring his candidacy; could easily have been sent as an alternate delegate-at-large from this state. At the National convention he was one of two Afro-American sergeant-at-arms, who carried the the mace or gavel, who were on active duty. He has ability of high order as was shown in his conduct of one of the most important cases before the Land department during the Harrison regime. It is probable that he will be a candidate for some position at the hands of the present administration. If so, and we may judge the future by the past, he will not follow in beaten paths, as our politicians are so prone to do, but will try for some place that will open up new fields.

Out of all the confusion and antagonism that existed among the race in Wayne county before the primaries and after until the date of election, we have still retained a member of the state legislature. Hon. Joseph H. Dickinson is winning approbation by his dignified course at Lansing, and is championing some very important measures for the county. He is a rugged, honest and stirling character, and many members of our legislature will change their views of the Afro-American because of their contact with him. House bill No. 239, introduced by him, is a measure to suppress mob violence. It is a copy of the Ohio law, drawn up by Hon. Albion W. Tourgee, which was pressed to passage in that state by the aggressive, positive but genial editor of the Cleveland Gazette, Hon. H. C. Smith. In this state the bill is receiving favorable notice and will undoubtedly become a law. Indiana and Illinois the last two years have seen series of mob violence, why not have the same measure enacted there? True, it is not needed as badly as in many other states, still it is necessary if only as the nucleus to a sentiment that will finally put a quietus upon lynch law.

Richard Shewcraft, the Afro-American artist of this city before joining the great majority, had the satisfaction of knowing that one of his pictures adorned the walls of the Detroit Museum of Art. The picture, a study in still life, has been frequently praised, and was purchased by his Afro-American friends and presented to the school. During his career he had won many honors and prizes at the school. His ambition was to go to France for a course of study, but it was willed otherwise.

SENTENCED TO BE HANGED.

Citizens Meet to Raise Money to Appeal the Case to a Higher Court Personal Mention.

Houston, Tex., Special.

Louis Williams, colored, was convicted and sentenced to be hanged. He was charged with the murder of Capt. I. B. Baker which occured last summer. About 2,000 colored people and whites met at the U. B. of F. hall a few nights ago, for the purpose of raising money to appeal the Lewis Williams case. Dr. J. H. Garnett elected chairman and J. Jones secretary and a financial committee was appointed by the choir. Another committee was appointed to prepare an address to the public, showing the sentiments is in favor of Williams. Hon. W. T. Brown attorney at law, colored. Miss L. B. Chappell of Shreveport, La., will soon come to Houston to make this city her home. Quite a number of persons from this city went to Galveston a few Sundays ago to see the battleship. Among them were Mr A. Williams, Mrs. C. L. Toran, Drs. S. M. Lyons, M. D., Joe Dibble, M. D., Prof. W. J. Smith. editor of the Southern Review, Lawyer W. T. Brown and others.. Miss Shamur of Novasota is in the city. Miss L. Orbiss from Novasota, was in the city recently to see sick relatives. Rev. Dr. H. Wates, D. D., is running a successful revival and a number of members have been converted. He is doing a good work. Rev. J. M. Collett is doing all in his power to establish a christian church in this city at the cost of $18,000. It is without doubt a credit to his denomination. An excellent subject was before the Young Men's Christian Association. "Backsliders," the subject, was suggested for the benefit of the young converts. The colored people cannot get justice at the courts of Houston and its by no means startling. The only remedy for the complaint is the right to sit on the jury box, which they have not, with all their education and wealth. We have colored men here worth from $10.000 to to $50,000; they cannot sit on the jury when a Negro is being tried for his life. But a Dago without a cent can clear his brother for killing a Negro. Thats the state of affairs in the city. The Negro does not enjoy the blessing of the 14th and 15th amendment. Miss H. T. Johnson reports having had a nice time in Galveston a few Sundays ago. Miss L. V. Watson has been spending a pleasant time at her home, Hempstead, Tex. Prof. D. Amber jr., president of Guadalupe College, was in the city the other day and called upon the the reporter. The Misses Thompsons of Wharton, Tex., was in the city the other day the guest of Miss L. B. Rose on Baptist hill. A very long list of subscribers whose subscription have expired, and in the meantime should we fail to call upon you, call or address the branch office, 917 San Filipe street. E. C. Branch, general agent and correspondent for The Freeman is endeavoring to put the Freeman in every Negro home in Houston and Harris county. The Southern Review is a weekly news paper struggling to get a foot hold in this city. It is edited by Profs. W. J. Smith and Porter. Rev. Thomas Matthews of Cleveland street, died the 23rd inst., funeral from Antioch Baptist church, conducted by Dr. F. L. Lights, D. D. Brother S. B. Summerville, a railroad man, and our friends are very sick on Wilson street. Hon. R. Gleed keeps a fine stock of fancy and family groceries at 919 San Filipe street. He delivers to any part of the city. The reporter will soon spend a week in visiting the city schools.

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Although reputation is acknowledged too great it is equally true that each individual has most to do in the formation of his own character. Every man should aim at the possesion of a good character as one of the highest objects of his life. Deportment, caution and a desire to do right carried out in practice are to human character what truth, reverence and love are to religion. Such virtues can never be reproached although the vulgar and despicable may scoff at them, all that exalts, enobles, embelishes, and dignifies humanity. All that confers solid peace, real joy and soul-felt satisfaction, all that good men and angels love, and admire in human creatures is blended in the beauty and glory of a truly good and genuine character. Great, good and noble men have their trials, but in and through them all there is the sunshine of a holy, and lofty peace above all confusion as permanent and glorious as are the firmaments of heaven.

The developement of a character admirable in itself, requires some high and lofty aim of life to bring it to its best perfection. The heart comes in contact with small things and narrow interest but when brought into harmony with great ideas striving for a great end with strong feelings excited and willing to pour upon the altar of success the most costly and precious sacrifices then the human heart is developing the germs of its immortal nature, rises to the heights of the loftiest ideas and enlarges to the compass of the broadest character. Among the elements of a good character is that of hope, perseverance, courage—courage which will meet disapointment, trials, sickness and all the varied ills of life with a determined and vigorus composure and a self-reliance which enables the posessor to pursue his course undismayed and add too rather than detract from his courage. An unblemished character is an evangel of charity which nothing can prevent, the administration of a good which every where blesses; such a character breathes goodness, virture holiness everywhere. Every one who is a possesor of such a character is not only a benefactor to mankind but adds to the goodness and happiness of the world also increasing its moral strength and virtue, proving its superiority of intelligence over ignorance, of virtue over vice and is sowing the seed all about him of a harvest of good not only in the world but in the spiritual returns.

In the formation of character every body can bless the world and themselves. It is not money nor mere intellect that governs the world it is moral character associated with moral excellence. Each day of our lives we are building the kind deed wrought. The little act of duty done, the trial patiently endured may each and all by themselves seem unimportant. But they build a beautifully. complete and harmonious character, one that brings blessings to its possessor and the influences going out from it to the community at large are of the purest and best.

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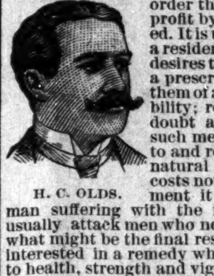

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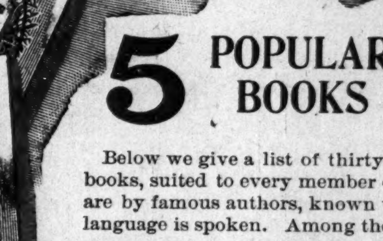

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PRESIDENT M'KINLEY.

It is now President McKinley. Right thankful is the country for the change. Grover Cleveland has managed to make a personal record that many might envy. But his party has failed to get a vote of confidence. The hopes of American industries rises with the installation of Mr. McKinley. The country will breathe freer, rest easier when the new government is well in power. The Republican party is not one of promises only. It has promised remedial legislation, that will serve to quicken the spirit of these lethargic times. The promises were not made in vain. The administration of McKinley gives promise of being all that has been predicted for it. Mr. McKinley enters upon his duties fully aware of the financial unrest, and the stagnation in industrial pursuits. His cabinet, very evidently, was chosen more as a means of coping with these very vexed questions than for the rewarding of party workers. The man or men who can suddenly lift the country from the sloughs of despond to the highways of prosperity, is the man for the people, regardless of creed. The opportunities of Mr. McKinley are vast. It may be safely said no President has been looked to so steadily, so faithfully for relief from the throes of hunger as Mr. McKinley. His cabinet has a work to perform, but they are able to perform it. We join the country in welcoming the advent of the Republican party.

AFTER THE INAUGURATION. THEN WHAT?

According to a custom that has been in vogue since the incipiency of the government, a custom that orders a readjustment of affairs quadrenially—relating both to men and measures, Grover Cleveland, who has been the Executive head of the government for the last four years, has turned the office over to his illustrious successor, Maj. McKinley. The ball, the parades are but the incidents to the stirring drama that ushers into existence with a new American government. It is on the morrow when the real drama begins, when the great dance hall is silent as a sphinx, when the fragrant roses and other hot house exotics that adorned "Me Lord and Me Lady" have been kicked and spurned by a plebeian boot, when the wine has lost its bouquet—in short, when inauguration day is but a fairy story—on the cool to-morrow—begins the real drama, yea, perchance tragedy; tragedies of the heart if not otherwise. It is not all for the love of pageantry, pomp and display that men from all radii have poured into the Nation's Capital. Those who have suffered long for party weal are among the host that hied thither They are there to rehearse the stories of the political battles and escapades in which they figured—their only capital—to be drawn on at sight for political preferment. The battle of gold and silver will be fought over again, and in the language of Goldsmith in his "Deserted Village," "He shoulders his crutch to show how fields were won." But the fickle goddess of fortune can not smile on all alike. For there are ten thousand who have not worshipped the graven image—all worthy to administer but the necessity does not exist. Doubtless many a well meaning politician—a village Hampden in his own little burgh, has "on to Washington" with high hopes, who will be left stranded high and dry in the city of offices with scarcely a copec to hold soul and body intact. Hoyt in his "Texas Steer" strikes it right when he makes the respectable old Negro gentleman, who was a power at home, say: "Politics is a mighty po business," as he rested his weary frame on the magnificent approaches to the marble capitol. He, too, as many dusky browed sons have felt, felt that his fame had spread beyond the narrow bounds of his own tight habitat and that the Washingtonians would stand abashed in his presence. The dream was, is and will be rudely shocked. Vast is the ascent between office holding and non office holding in these stony hearted civil service times. Every president that has stepped out of power since the advent of the system, has screwed the tension tighter and tighter. A puncture in the system would be news "de jubilant" just now to the faithful who sat late and early on the remains of the late Democratic party. But those who made the laws perhaps knew and felt the necessity. At all events, they are doubtless here to stay, and the unrescued in Washington City have but small hopes of battering down a system that is so effectually played against one another from a political standpoint.

The Nashville Citizen is not very sanguine as to the part the Negroes will play in the Tennessee Centennial. It is said that Chief Hill's hands are tied, but in just what respect is not known. It will be quite a sad commentary on the moving spirits of Tennessee if they fail to acquit themselves as well as the Georgians. It has long been a question whether an adjunct to enterprises of this kind is the proper thing, yet the times in which we live modified by the localities, have very much to do with these questions. Time is the other element and the most essential, that will serve to adjust these questions.

The Bee is never wrong in predictions and results.—Washington Bee.

So? Sir Oracle, numbers of most humble votaries at your shrine, desire your most prophetic highness, in event it does not fall outside of your domain of auguries, to predict as to whether the Recordership of Deeds for the District of Columbia will fall within its walls or go to the barbarians? We hope for the good of a large clientage that your power of divination may be the means of settling a question that threatens to upset the realm.

Bishop G. W Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion church, paid Indianapolis a flying visit last week, enroute to Los Angeles, Cal. He was elevated to the Bishopric at the early age of 38 years. Bishop Walters alone bears the distinction of being elected at an earlier age. Bishop Clinton has had quite an eventful career, having been editor of several church organs. He has filled positions requiring ability the better part of his life. He spoke to a large and an appreciative audience Sunday evening at Jones Tabernacle.

While Congressman Murray, of South Carolina, is endeavoring to righten matters pertaining to Negro suffrage in his state, his enemies at home are passing "jim crow" car laws. It was thought that South Carolina had made her last attempt to belittle a part of her citizens, but she is at it again. It is very much like other crimes; every offense makes the next one easier to commit. Where will all this end? is the question.

And so they say Mme. Calve is to receive $3,000 for her one night's service at the Musical Festival. They always did say true art came high.

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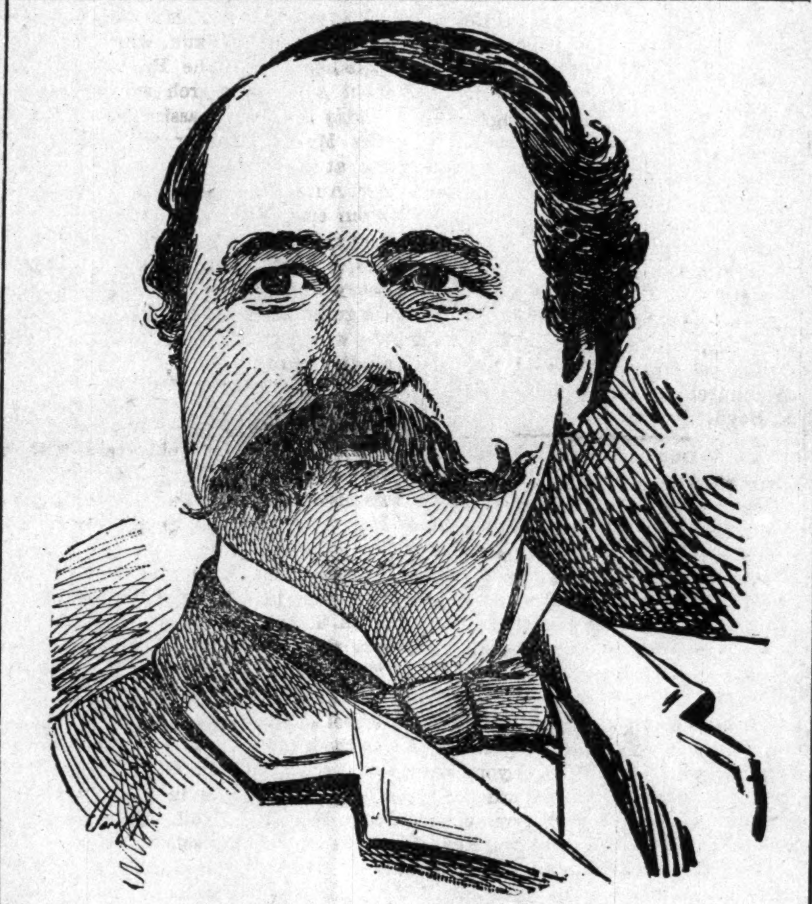
A NEW DAILY.

The Great Northwestern Printing and Publishing company, composed entirely of colored men, with a capital stock of $10,000, has been incorporated for the purpose of publishing the Chicago Daily Leader, an afternoon newspaper, four pages of seven columns each, to champion the interest of colored people. It is said that the enterprise is backed by plenty of capital and has for its officers some of the most influential colored people in Chicago. They are: President, Dr. G C. Hall; Vice-President, Dr. E. S. Miller; Treasurer and Managing Editor, Ex-Commissioner Theodore Jones; Secretary, R. B. Cabbell; Atterney, Rdward H. Morris; Finance committee, C. H. Shotwell and J. Gordon. Their office will be at 3237 State street and they will print their initial number March 15th.—All About Us.

The above announcement deserves more than passing notice, owing to the nature of the enterprise, and the standing of the men. The daily idea is not a new one. There have been quite a number started, all in the South, but a very few, possibly one or two if any, are now in existence. Just why success has not attended their efforts is not difficult to ascertain. But in a city like Chicago where there is so much vigor and life, such an enterprise at once will jump into popular favor from the real necessity rather than from an ornamental standpoint. A city as metropolitan and cosmopolitan as Chicago will scarcely hamper severely, by race lines, an enterprise that is so worthily accouchered. The gentlemen who are promoting the new venture aremen of means, consequence and have business insight. The chances are that they have long considered the feasibility of floating such a scheme. At least they are better prepared than anyone else to talk intelligently on the subject. It can not help being a benefit whether it ultimately succeeds or not. It will be an instance of mobilization of capital by Negro men of the North; a trait that is very sadly lacking generally. The spirit of first class business enterprise needs to be cultivated and fostered in the Northern states; a thing the South has long ago learned. The Freeman hopes the venture unbounded success, feeling that in its success the race succeeds in proportion.



VICE-PRESIDENT GARRET A. HOBART.

Material prosperity is the watchword. The cry for bread is not to be supplied by a supply of stones.

The candidacy of Prof. O. M. Woods of St. Louis, for Minister to Hayti, is growing quite formidable in Missouri.

Add the name of Hon. John L Waller, late of Tamatave, Madagascar, to the list of candidates who are standing for Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia. Mr. Waller hails from Kansas, where he is being pushed with vigor for the much coveted prize.

Building and Loan Failure.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Mr. Harry Alexander died at his home on Center street last Friday. The funeral took place Monday at Zion Baptist church. Rev. W. H. Craighead officiating. Mr. Alexander leaves two sisters and a loving mother and a host of friends to mourn his loss. Owing to the sudden change of weather and the freezing of pipes Zion church postponed baptismal ceremonies last Sunday. There is a move on foot to have the literature used by the baptist Sunday schools of this city furnished by a colored publication society. Wm. Gaddie has been indicted for passing counterfiet "shin plasters." Mr. Albert S. White, Louisville's leading colored attorney will leave on the 10th for Washington, where he will hold a consultation with President McKinley relative to the appointment of the Liberian Mission. Mr. White is a business energetic young lawyer fully competent for the trust after which he seeks. His appointment will meet the approval of this state and district.

Mr. Isom C. Townsend, a promising young lawyer, will see after Mr. Whites interest here during his sojourn at the Capitol. Mr. Townsend is rapidly becoming famost as a criminal barrister. The United States Building and Loan Association made an assignment last week. It was one of the largest and saftest companies of the kind in the city. Many of the colored citizens had joined it with the view of saving their money and becoming property holders. At first this failure produced quite a shock, but since its solvency has been proven, and it is fully compatent to pay dollar for dollar the alarm gradually died away. Through the kindness of some of its agents some of the members have been transferred too ther companies. The Lyceum of the State University on last Sunday afternoon was comfortably crowded to witness the exercises of the Y. M. C.A. Some of Louisville's best talent figured on the program Mrs. Seawright, the coming soparano, needs special mention. Her singing is of a supert nature.

Politics among the colored politicians seems to have subsiders, interest seems to lag. Neither are trust, they are laying low and sawing wood. The coming election will surprise the best posted politicians. Mr. Isaac Curtest, famous in the late presidential campaign because of his firm stand for McKinley and sound money, and his magnificent race for delegate-at-large, was before the grand jury last week as a witness in the great city hall scandal. The Willing Workers of Jacob street Tabernacle entertianed the patrons of the church very handsomely last Monday night at their church. This society is composed of some of the best young members of the congregation and of the city. School teachers and persons of broad views may be found in its folds. The exercises met the approval of all who attended. It was both a literary and financial success. Calvery church was crowded last Wednesday night to witness the baptizing of converts. The work of Miss Jessie Carter and her band of girls is praise worthy. Her success will actuate others to try.

Killed the Wrong Woman.

Memphis, Tenn., Special,

Mrs. Ida Farris a very slightly respected lady and a member of Avery Chapel A. M. E. church, was mistaken for another woman last Saturday night near her home on Royburn avenue, by Carrie Weatherbee who supposed that she was talking to one that she accused of robbing her of her lover, and before bystanders could interfer she had cut Mrs. Farris to death and escaped. It was several days before she was caught. The working club of Avery Chapel was entertained by Mrs. M. J. Parkens of 183 Court street on the 22nd. Music and refreshments were the specialties of the evening. The Masons of this city have just completed a contract with the owners of the old Greenlow building for their old hall, where there is room enough for lodges, courts, chapters, R. O. chapters, and the commanders with a large banquet hall. St. Peters Commandry No. 2, T. S., conferred the red cross degree upon companion R. M. Robinson and J. W. Watson on the 24th ult. Mr. and Mrs. Bennie King left on the 27th inst for Jefferson City, Mo., where they will reside. Mr. William Sneed was buried on the 28th. He was a charter member of Memphis Star Lodge No. 1501 G U. O. of O F., he leaves a wife and two children to mourn his loss. Mr. Wm. H. Barnett of 21 Stewart avenue has been down with the rhuematism for several weeks. Mrs. Lee Mitchell has been quite ill with la grippe. Mr. Barnett Lee. father of Rev. J. L. and R. E. Lee, died on the 26th and was carried to Pocahontas, Tenn., for interment. Mr. Lee was 90 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ross of Dunlap avenue, has a very sick child. Rev. F. H H. Morgan has started his revival.

NEGRO FOR ALDERMAN.

South Town Clerk Nomination—Wedding Bells—Society News.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

The Republicans met in convention last Friday and the following ticket was nominated: For Mayor, Judge N. C Sears; for Clerk, T. A. Lundin; for Treasurer, Chas. E. Gross; for City Attorney, Roy O. West. The ticket is regarded as a weak one, being a product of machine politics, which at this time is unpopular here. A. H. Roberts was nominated for South Town Clerk last Friday night. Mr. Roberts is an orator of some ability. During the last campaign he stumped Indiana for McKinley, filling the dates made vacant by the illness of Dr. S. A. Elbert, of Indiana. Rev. M. H. Jackson, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church, closed a two weeks series of meetings last Friday. A large number of accessions to the church was the result. Miss Lillian Wells is on the sick list. St. Thomas Episcopal church gave a benefit to Miss Tena Thompson, the organist of the church, last Thursday night. Miss Stella Newby is on the sick list The Civic League is an organization of colored men who intend to reform politics. They expect to support a colored man for alderman in the Third ward. The colored Kindergarten is no more. The Colored Men's Representative League is a colored political organization that expects to get political equality for the Negro. Jno. Maynard Harlan, son of Justice Harlan, is running as an independent candidate for Mayor. A large number of leading colored citizens are campaigning for him. The Northwestern Publishing company is a new organization that will in the near future publish the Chicago Daily Leader. The capital stock is $10,000 E. H. Morris, R. B. Cabbell, Drs. E. S. Miller, E. C. Hall, C. H. Shotwell, T. W. Jones and Jack Gordon are the incorporators. The shares are $10 and anybody can buy. April 1st has been set for the first issue of the paper. The Young Men's Sunday club was addressed by Judge Underwood last Sunday. The subject was "The proper care of criminals." This club is a moral, social, political and religious reform club for young men. It meets every Sunday at Bethel church.

The wedding of Mrs. Jesamine Raines to John Thompson took place at 4859 Armour avenue last Thursday evening. Rev. J. F. Thompson officiated. The bride was attired in white satin and point lace en traine. She carried a large boquet of bride's roses. Over 200 guests were in attendance. A large number of useful and valuable presents were received. The couple are at home to their many friends.

Celebrated Their Birthdays.

Berkley, Va., Special.

All of our churches held services last Sunday and were well attended. Rev. M. Z. Christmas, one of our noted divines from Richmond, passed through here en route to Gilmartin Locks where he preached last Sabbath. While here he was the guest of A. E. Robinson. At the funeral of Wm. H. Smith, a well known young man of our town and a member of the First Baptist church, the following solos were rendered: "It is Well with My Soul," by Miss T. A. Langston; "Flee as a Bird to the Mountain," Miss M. H. Scott; "Go Bury Thy Sorrow," Miss E. B. Langston. There was quite a concourse of friends and acquaintances who came out to pay the last tribute of respect. On the 9th of March the people of our town will be entertained at the First Baptist church in what is known as the "Deestrict Skule," the program of which will be rendered by some of the best local talent. Proceeds will go to said church. Mr. and Mrs. Wm, Shepherd, corner Thirteenth street and Mahone avenue, celebrated the 45th anniversary of their birth, Feb. 22, both being the same age. Among the guests present we noticed from Hampton. Miss Delia Minkins, Miss Fannie Washington, Mrs. Webster and several others, also Harry Nonterms and K. S. Goodson of this place. Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Barco tendered them a bountiful dinner in honor of the occasion. At the "Greenback Entertainment" Miss Maggie Langston was the lucky lady in selling the greatest number of tickets. She was awarded a handsome gold bracelet. J. M. Sledge is on the sick list. Mrs. Boston Sneed improves very slowly. Jno. Phillips has recovered. The Freeman is being praised here and those who are in arrears for copies will please be ready when we call. A. E Robinson sells trunks and gents and ladies clothing on the installment plan. Leave news items at 1012 Crawford St.

The "School History of the Negro Race" is without a doubt the best selling book we ever handled.—Manager Freeman.

What men call failure may often be what angels call success.—Ram's Horn.

We ought to have time and leisure to listen to reports of the best things about everybody, but life is too short to hear people's faults discussed.—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Write on your heart that every day is the best day is the best in the year. No man has learned anything rightly until he knows that every day is doomsday.—Emerson.

The Senate's amendments to the Agricultural bill (incorporating a proviso for the expenditure of $150,000 for the purchase of seeds for free distribution) will not be agreed to, if at all, until approved by the Conference Committee to which it must be referred. Meantime there is fair opportunity for making assaults upon the whole system of gratuities.—Florist's Exchange.

There are two top-notch newspaper correspondents writing weekly letters to the Afro-American press. They are R. W. Thompson, the Washington correspondent of The Freeman, and J. E. Bruce, (Bruce Grit), of Aldany, N. Y., who writes to the Colored American and several other journals. The chat which these men furnish upon current events, gossip and affairs, is often worth as much as a whole newspaper. Those newspapers favored with their services are fortunate.—Denver Statesman.

Hon. Henry M. Smythe (white) United States Minister to Hayti, is now endeavoring to have the grade of his position raised. He is much pleased with his post in the dominions of the black republic. An American of color should be sent there by President McKinley. It is said that the Haytien government has recommended the change, a proceeding rather unusual in the course of diplomatic etiquette. But Bro. Smythe will have to come home.—Richmond Planet.

The Afro-Americans all through the East are making preparation to raise money to send to the daughter of John Brown, who lives in California. It is said that this good woman is much in need of help, financially. What are we, who are in this state, doing?—Los Angeles Searchlight.

A person who has educatien and is unable to use it to secure money, is in a bad fix.—Exchange.

The Afro-Americans have a hard road to weed, and they make it ninety-nine times harder by fighting against each other.—American Banner.

It is high time that the colored people were looking more seriously to their material interest. We have need to build more wisely in the future in this regard than what we have in the past, if we would receive the attention and recognition of the domination race, which our relation to the body politic deserves. We dress, well look well, and talk well, but in far too many cases that is all of it—there is nothing behind it. The Negro must learn the importance of doing business for himself, accumulating property, supporting race enterprises, of providing employment for our sons and daughters after they shall come forth from the schools.—Washington correspondence in the Christan Banner.

T. Thomas Fortune, editor of the New York Age, tells the country that "When he was in Atlanta last summer he circulated for eight weeks a petition in the Southern Age, asking the legislature of Georgia to substitute a graded fare law for the present separate car law, and that not even Bishop Turner would sign it." This is the first of Bishop Turner ever hearing of it, and if our distinguished brother will present us such a petition, we will put a thousand signatures to it. He knows we hate the Jim Crow Car next to the bloody lynchers, and we have not only denounced it in The Voice of Missions, but through the columns of the daily Constitution and the evening Journal of Atlanta. Bishop Turner says more against the Jim Crow Car than all the colored men in the United States put together, and brother Tom knows it.—Voice of Missions.

Judge Albion W. Tourgee, so well and favorably known in America as the champion of the oppressed and the defender of the hepless, has announced himself as applicant for the consulship at Manchester, England. Mr. Tourgee's application is meeting general approval, and earnest wishes for his appointment are being freely expressed.—The Enterprise.

Death of Mrs. Brown.

Gregorys Point, Ark., Special.

Mrs. Lula Brown died the 24th ult., and was buried the 25th. Her sister, Annie Edmonds, who has been waiting upon her, is now sick in bed.

THE BIBLE THAT WAS USED.

A Splendid Gift From the African Methodist Bishops.

The Bible on which President-elect McKinley took the oath was a gift from the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and was presented to Mr. McKinley on Wednesday at Washington, D. C., by Bishop Benj. W. Arnett.

The binding is of the finest and most superb gros grain morocco, da'k blue in color, padded. It has a fine line of gold around the outer edge, and the gold plate in the centre has engraved upon it the following inscription: "William McKinley, President of the United States of America. Inaugarated March 4, 1897."

The edges are red under gold, with round corners; the linings of white moire antique stripped satin and silk. Inside the front and back covers are beautiful panels, inlaid with dark blue Turkish morocco, known as "Bishop's Purple," finished in gold. The centre of the panels is of white satin.

On this satin centre. in the front panel is printed the following inscription of presentation:

"Presented to His Excellency, William McKinley, by the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, on behalf of 8,000,000 of redeemed Americans, as a token of their high appreciation of his love for the Declaration of Independence, his devotion to the Constitution as amended, his fidelity and bravery in defending the honor of the flag, his loyalty to the Ten Commandments and Golden Rule, and his advocacy of protection to American institutions, industries and men. Used at his inaugaration as President of the United States, Washington, D. C., March 4, Anno Domini, 1897, and of the one hundred and twenty-first year of the independence of the United States of America."

On the back cover the following is printed:

"God our Father, Christ our Redeemer, Man our Brother. The African Methodist Episcopal Church was organ zed November, 1787, Philadelphia, Penn., by R chard Allen, who was elected First Bishop, 1816. The Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church: Henry McNeal Turner, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L.; Wesley J. Gaines, D. D.; Benjamin W. Arnett, D. D.; Benjamin T. Tanner, D. D., LL. D.; Abraham Grant, D. D.; Benjamin F. Lee, D. D., LL. D.; Moses B. Salters, D. D.; James A. Handy, D. D.; William B. Derrick, D. D.; Josiah H. Armstrong, D. D.; James C. Embry, D. D.

"General officers: Rev. T. W. Henderson, D. D., general business manager of Book Concern; Rev. H. T. Johnson, D. D., Ph. D., editor of Christian Recorder; Prof. H. T. Kealing, A. M., editor of African M. E. Review; Rev. R. M. Cheeks, B. D., editor of Southern Christian Recorder; Rev. M. M. Moore, D. D., financial secretary; Rev. H. B. Parks, B. D., missionary secretary; Rev. C. S. Smith, D. D., M. D., secretary Sunday School Union; Prof. J. R. Hawkins, A. M., secretary of education; Rev. C. T. Shaffer, D. D., M. D., secretary of Church Extension."

The case which holds the Bible divides in the centre, and upon opening displays the Bible resting on a bed of light blue satin, with the top of the case lined and tufted in the same material.

News and Notes.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.

The farmers are bringing hogs to market. Since the first of December they have shipped from Dyersburg 5350 head of hogs. Corn is selling at $1.50 per barrel, The best tobacco in the land is selling at 4c. The twin babies of Prof. J. N. Parr died Feb. 21. Prof. Jones has recovered from a long illness. Phil Rogers is suffering with rheumatism, Mrs. Charity Barnes after being on the sick list for six months is out again. The Quaker doctors are in Dyersburg introducing a new medicine, they have four colored men with them who give free exhibitions each day and night. The Freeman brings glad tidings and great joy to many families. You can get The Freeman from L. J. Barnes or Henry Barnett; leave all communications for The Freeman at John Fowlkes shop.

A Religious Awakening.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

There is an unusual interest manifested in the revival going on at the A. M. E. church, up to Sunday morning there had been 17 converts and about fifty at the anxious seat. The interest increases each day. The meeting is being conducted by Rev. R. J. Hogg, he is a popular revivalist, and is arousing an interest which many others have failed to arouse. Revs. A. D. Nelsen and T. Y. Moore have been present and assisting.

The Odd Fellows' annual serman will be preached next Sabbath at the M. E. church by Rev. J. W. Richmond. The new organ at the M. E. church has arrived and the choir will again delight the congregation with their beautiful anthems. The ladies of Mrs. McAdams' club gave a military drill at the Baptist church Friday night. The movements were executed with precision. The audience was well pleased; by request it will be repeated. The Baptist Sunday school will give a special Easter exercises, Mrs. Rosa Peacock has returned from Roger Williams; she will teach a spring term. Misses Sallie Rainey, Hattie Davis, Ida Washington, and Minos Cannon, jr., are putting the finishing touches on White's complete arithmetic, at the Teacher's retreat. A pleasant rivalry exists between them. Mrs. V. D. Turner has a night class in German. Phillip's academy observed Washington's birth-day. Louis Thompson one of our grocers died last week, with consumption. Mrs. Angeline Myers has returned from Chattanooga.

Sudden Closing of School.

Augusta, Ark., Special.

Chas. White one of the Freeman readers has been sick for the past week. Henry Spiller made a business trip to Grays, Ark., Tuesday, Mrs. J. W. Williams, of Wynne, is visiting friends in the city. Miss Emma Matthews is on the sick list this week. M. R. Roddy is now with A. M. Anthony in the barber business. Rev. Mundy made a grand lecture Tuesday night; subject: "The Ex-Slave Pension." F. R. Bowen is on the sick list. Henry Wells made a business trip to Grays, Ark., Tuesday. Albert Hardy has moved to the country. Sam Fowler, of Gregory Point, was up visiting in the city Tuesday. Ed Hughes, of Hickory Ridge is in the city. Jack Greer is on the sick list. The ensuing term of the Philander Smith college, the public school of this city, was closed Friday on one day's notice to our principal Rev. H. H. Wilson. Rev. Hill, of McCrary who has been passor of St. Luke Baptist church of this city preached his farewell sermon Sunday night; he is preparing to leave the state for Mississipi, where he will make his future home. C. M. Black of this city made a flying trip to Bald Knob. M. J. Spiller, of this city left last week for Little Rock.

Mr. Washington Wins.

Oberlin, O., Special.

In the annual oratorical contest which took place at Oberlin Friday evening Feb. 26. the first prize was awarded to W. L. Washington, colored, of Lexington, Va. Mr. Washington was the only Negro in the contest and took the laurels with ease. His subject was "Frederick Douglass." He is the first Negro to win this distinguished honor at Oberlin. On account of this victory he will represent Oberlin in the annual contest of the Northern Oratorical league, which meets at Ann Arbor, Mich., in May next. Mr. Washington is a member of the sophomore class and is a scholar of no mean ability. He has more than once, on previous occasions, demonstrated his oratorical talent. He is calm, deliberate and graceful in delivery and his productions are always profound in thought. He will be tendered a banquet by the students Saturday evening March 6th.

"Coming of Christ" Discussed.

Hamilton, O., Spec al.

Rev. Coleman concluded a very interesting series of sermons on the "Coming of Christ" Sunday. He made an impression on his systematical and theological discussion of the subject. He has succeeded in having every department in the church well organized. Mr. K. Hackley of Lima, O., spent Sunday here visiting friends. Mrs. Wilson of Middletown, O., spent last week with Mrs. W. Johnson. The debate of the literary club last Thursday evening was decided in favor of the affirmative. A prize oratorical contest takes place in two weeks. Mr. O R le has severed his connection with S. Johnson and has accepted a position with G. Garnes.

Keokuk Happenings.

Keokuk, Iowa, Special.

The revival services of Bethel A. M. E. church is still in progress. Rev. G. M. Tillman expects assistance in the city Tuesday evening. The young men of Bethel A. M. E. church are in the act of organizing a debating society. Owing to the great interest which has been manifested during the revival, Rev. Tillman had to discontinue the exercises which should have been held on the 14th, ult. relative to Allen day. Said exercises will be held on March 28, at 3:30 p. m. at which there will be solos, papers and addresses appropriate for the occasion.

Revivals are being carried on in both the Pilgrim's Rest and Seventh street Baptist churches. W. H. Jones, jr., was seen in his best escorting the young ladies for Sunday school, silk umbrellas were in demand, your humble writer stood no show at all. C. H. Williams, of the Tri-State Can Co., departed for Boston, Mass., on last Monday; he was called to the bedside of his oldest daughter, and will be absent six weeks. Sir Dodson paid a visit to both the temples and tabernacles on last Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. J. Draine are both quite ill, at their residence at 1506 Blondeau street. Mrs. G. A. Hackett is battling with la grippe. G. C. Banister is seen occasionally in company with a certain young lady. Keokuk readers be on the lookout for invitations. Miss Ida Fair is much better.

Miss Ida Fair is some better. Mrs. M. McCraken who has been ill for some time died last Sunday. Her mother, who has passed her 3 score and 10 was at her bedside The wedding of Lewis Willson and Miss Ophelia Bell Jackson was quite a society event. The presents were numerous and handsome. The bride looked charming. May their voyage over life's sea be one of peace. Rev. Thomas and wife who have been assisting in revivals at Bethel church, will leave for Monmouth Wednesday.

A COTTON FACTORY.

For the Colored Race Project d—Stockholders Meet.

Professor C. S. Meserve, Rev. R. H W. Leak and E. A. Johnson of Ralegh, N. C., have returned from Concord, N. C., where they attended a meeting of the stock-holders of the cotton factory which is to be managed and directed by the colored race. A large number of representative colored men from various portions of the state were present. An organization was perfected and $3,007 raised. Over 70,000 has been subscribed so far. It will take $20,000 to put the factory in operation and a united effort is being made to secure this amount.

A number of leading white citizens in the state have subscribed to the factory which is to be located in Concord.

The following officers were elected at the stockholders' meeting: President, R. B. Fitzgerald, of Durham; vice president, E. A. Johnson, of Raleigh; secretary and treasurer, Warren Coleman, of Concord. The directors elected were: L. P. Berry, J. C. Dancy, Prof. Pride, Prof. Meserve, E. A. Johnson. Robert McRae, W. C. Coleman and R, B. Fitzgerald.—Exchange.

Happenings in Palestine.

Palestine, Tex., Special.

Visitors in city during the past week: Rev. J. G. Grimes of Chaple Hill, Mrs. Lucy Thornton, National Organization of Colored Dept. W. C. T. U., Rev. R. Boyd D. D. Nashville. Tenn. Miss. J. E. Dudley one of the city teachers received the prize in beauty contest. Washington Birthday was duly celebrated by the schools with appropriate exercises, well attended by the patrons. Mr. J. N. Dodson, the deserving principal of the High School, has been invited to address Central Teachers Association, which convenes at Herne, April 9-10. One of the most enjoyable affairs of the season was the Blind Boone Concert which held forth at the Temple Opera House on the night of the 22. Promptly at the appointed hour the Modern Bethoven took his place at his Concert stand and never did musician play more charmingly. His selections were from the best composers, varied by highly amusing humerous songs. Miss Stella May is quite an attraction in the entertainment. The Boones were highly entertained by Mr. W. M. Riles and wife at their splendid residence on South street. Teachers meeting was quite interesting this month. Misses Georgie and Tillie Brock have closed their schools and have returned to their home at Houston. Rev. Lynk, late of Dallas, has charge of South Union Baptist church in the absence of Rev. R. A. Boyd.

Died of Starvation.

Clarksville, Tenn , Special.

The Cumberland river has reached the danger line and people have been forced to vacate the low lands. Miss Nannie Johnson left Feb. 23, for Oakwood, where she will take up her school. Six hundred people witnessed the concert given by the Colored Brass Band at the Opera house Feb. 22. Miss Katie Smith has gone to St. Louis. Arch Lyons, manager of a leading colored hotel, died at his home in South Clarksville, Feb. 18. Mr. Lyons was a member of the Fifth Ward Baptist church, and was about 35 yrs. of age; the funeral was conducted by Rev. A. O. Kenney. The colored people of Erin are considering the advisability of starting a newspaper. Geo. W. Hill has accepted the position at Lawyer Merritt's on Madison street. R. E. Hill said The Freeman ought to be in the home of every Negro. Miss Carrie Ballard has returned from Chicago. Albert Harris, of Peacher Mill, was in the city last week. Mrs. Belle Fontroy who lived in South Clarksville, was taken sick and nothing was known of it until a gentleman went to collect the rent; the woman and her little babe were dead. Miss Emma Moody has returned after a pleasant visit in West Tennessee. Miss Sallie Armstrong and sister have returned from an extended visit to Mayfield, Ky.

The Separate School Fund.

Fayetteville, Ark., Special.

The colored school opened the 22nd inst. Prof. Altime principal, and Mrs. Altime assistant principal. The attendance was very large. Prof. Altime is an efficient instructor and has delivered several lectures since he came. He is a man of high culture and refinement. The separate school fund bill has again been introduced in the state legislature, that the taxes which are paid by the colored people shall go to their schools, and the taxes paid by the whites shall go to white schools. Should this bill pass (which it perhaps will) it will give the colored children an average of two months schooling in the year. This should be a matter of interest to every colored man in the state. Rev. B. J. Griffin is our pastor for another year. He is building a new church and the work is progressing nicely. This is Rev. Griffin's third year at this place during which time he has done much for the upbuilding of the race. The Epworth League was organized by him. Misses Susie Pettigrew, Nora Berry, Lucy Taylor and a few others are making marks which we cannot at present give others the credit for doing. We hope others will follow their example. The bible band of the Baptist church is doing a good work. They met every Sunday evening at 3 o'clock. F. B. Littlejohn, postal clerk, is still holding the fort on the Fayetteville and St. Paul Railroad. Subscribe for and read The Freeman, the great race instructor, follow the advice contained in its columns, and you will be benefited.

Social Entertainments.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Gov. Pingree, wife, daughter and staff of Detroit, were in the city Friday. A grand reception was given at the armory in their honor Monday evening The entertainment given Monday evening at the U. B. of O. F. hall, under auspices of F. E. Evans, was a successful affair. Mrs. Oscar Richards entertained in honor of Miss Luella Hill of Jackson Thursday evening. Mrs. Amos N. Stewart entertained Mrs. Will Harden Wednesday at dinner. Mrs. Richard Jeffres and son of Volina, were the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hill last week. Miss Sarah Foster, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. Green Allen in Vandalia, has retured home. Miss Lucy Foster of Ostimo is the guest of Bessie Hackley. C. J. Stewart has returned from Bloomingdale. Mrs. Will Harden and daughter Bessie have returned to their home in Anion. J. Ridgeley of Cheshire is in the city. Mrs. Ed. Mc Kay is on the sick list.

Clarinda News Notes.

Clarindia, Ia., Special.

Mr. E. Baker of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of Mr. Wm. Gibson. There was a baptizing from the Second Baptist church last Sunday. The many friends of Rev. H. Mendenhall gave him a surprise on the 24th inst. Mrs. Lizzie Ham, Mrs. Amanda Carlson, little Leo Mendenhall, Mr. Casen and Mr. Baker are still on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baker are the happy parents of a little girl baby born Thursday morning the 25th. The literary circle at the Second Baptist church is progressing nicely. They have started a literary paper. The revival at the Second Baptist church begins Sunday night. Mrs. D. Hubanks of Omaha, Neb., is in the city. Mrs. Brown will leave soon for Keokuk, where she will make her home. The Presiding Elder of the A. M. E. church will be here on Sunday the 28th to assist Rev. Knight. Miss Myrtle Louneer will also sing a solo at the A. M. E. church the 28th. Mrs. Annie Hamill, of Grand Island, is in our city. Miss Myrtle Louneer and Miss Georgia Stewart were the guests of Mrs. A. Cartmill and Mrs. Wm. Brown last evening. Rev. Mendenhall was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Cartmill. The wedding bells rang Thursday night at Miss Dokey Nesh's.

Tuscumbia News Notes.

Tuscumbia, Ala., Special.

The Freeman is being read with a vast deal of interest in our city. It stands ahead of all other colored papers. Rev. A. A. Sensabough has prepared a fine lot of medicine. Our people should patronize him. Miss Mattie Ross who has been private secretary for Bishop H. M. Turner, Atlanta, Ga., is in the city visiting relatives and friends. Her many friends are delighten to see her. Miss Ross formerly taught in the city school at this place. The examination on the 26th ult., was very good in the city school. Prof. G. N. Allman of Neelyville, Mo., is in the city calling upon Miss S. E. Noil. He visited and spoke to the city school on the 26th ult. Misses Annie Finley and Fountaine are seamstresses and should be supported by every colored family in Tuscumbia. Miss Emma Pruitt of Leighton is visiting Mrs. Ross' family. We wish her a pleasant stay. Miss Sallie Bert of Courtland, Ala., paid our city a flying visit and was a guest of Miss J. Meredith on the 27th ult. Miss L. H. Brown and Miss J. L. Finley have written a number of excellent poems. Both of these young ladies are members of the ninth grade class in the colored city school.

A Washington Birthday Party.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Mrs. George Hodge has returned from Kokomo, where she has been the guest of her sister for several weeks. Fred Malone is a very successful book agent. Among the books he handles is Uncle Tom's Cabin. Janett Jones who has been sick for some time, is much better at this writing. Mrs. George Allen is improving. A Washington Birthday party was given by the Dumas club at the home of Mable Parker. The house was beautifully decorated in the national colors. After the rendition of a fine musical program, an elaborate repast was served. George Parker was appointed toastmaster and in response to the toast "Patriotism," the following toasts were given: "Washington and Lincol," Lottie King; "The Olden Times," Samuel Ratliff; "Washington the Man," Mabel Parker. Those present from a distance were: Miss Anna Banks, of Richmond; Messrs. Samuel Ratliff, of Kokomo; William and Alphonzo Holly, of Bloomington, Ill.; Miss Mary Allen, Ft. Wanye. Messrs. Will Bell, John Chappel, John Alexander, Will and Alphonzo Holly and F. Poitee, of the Lenox Soap company, left last Monday for South Bend, after a two weeks stay in the city. Mrs. Charles Parker is convalescing. Mrs. Maria Chapman is still improving. Mrs. L. W. Pettiford is on the sick list.

DIED OF HER INJURIES.

The Musical Social Club Entertains—Literary Club—Personal.

Meridian, Miss., Special.

Miss Jane Evans, who was so badly burned at her school in January, died the 22d ult , from the effect of her wounds. Her funeral was largely attended at Haven Chapel the 23d at 3 o'clock, Rev. J. C. Hibbles, pastor of St. Paul M. E. church, officiating. The Mothers' meeting took place on Sunday, the 28th, ult., at Pilgrim Progress Baptist church, East End, of which Rev. D. G. Griffin is the able pastor. The meeting was largely attended. Rev. Dan Shoemake preached to them both in the afternoon and evening. He is a powerful speaker. The enterprising Musical and Social club gave a grand entertainment on Tuesday, the 16th ult., at the Meridian Academy, to quite a number of friends. President P. W. Ivy opened with prayer; chorus by circle; address by P. W. Ivy; chorus by circle; solo, N. D. Taylor; sextette, Misses Mattie Ivy, Claire Shields, Mme. Hallyman, D. C. Cryser, I. D. Thomas and C. W. Parish; recitation, Miss Virginia Isabell; duett, Miss Lealer Snowden, I. A. Gipson; quartett, Miss Anna Crawford, Mrs. Susie Lucas, Messrs. A. C. and N. D. Taylor; essay, Miss Sarah C. Cole; recitation, Mrs. A. E. W. Nelson; quartette, Mesdames Hattie Clark, Essie G. Parish, Millie Brownslow and I. C. Parish; paper, Mrs. D. C. Cryser. Ben. Frantz, one of our oldest citizens, has been very sick the past few days. B. J. Cotton, who has been to Monroe, La., has returned. James Tindall has been ill. Rev. W. H. Jernagan, who has been teaching school at Lockhart, Miss., closed his school on Friday, the 26th ult. Miss Susie Watson, organist at New Hope Baptist church, has been ill. The Douglass Literary club gave their second Anniversary entertainment at Lincoln's school building the 24th ult. The program was as follows: Chorus, by the club; prayer by Rev. J. C. Hibbles; chorus; paper, Miss Virginia Ramsey; quarette, Mrs. L. S. Nelson, Miss Ella Jemison, Rev. Eli Perkins, Miss M. C. Miller; quartette, Misses S. B. Ramsey, J. A. Gipson and Dr. G. W. Clark; paper, Rev. C, L Harris; recitation, Miss S. B. Ramsey; music, club; quartette, Mrs. L. A. Finley, Miss S. B. Ramsey, Dr. W. H. Coleman and G. W. Clark; selection, Mrs. M. S. Blur; bass solo, Dr. W. H. Coleman; recitation, Dr G. W. Clark; quartette, Mrs. L. A. Finley, Miss S. B. Ramsey and Dr. Clark; chorus. The entertainment was a grand success. Dr. W. H. Coleman was musical director.

The "School History of the Negro Race" is without a doubt the best selling book we ever handled.—Manager Freeman.

THE KNIGHTS TEMPLARS.

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eration attach himself first to the former. All men seem in this to be actuated by the same principle as Socrates, who used to say, "that when he saw a beautiful person, he always expected to see it animated by a beautiful soul." The ladies, however, often fall into the fatal error of imagining that a fine person is, in our eyes, superior to every other accomplishment, and those who are so happy as to be endowed with it, rely, with vain confidence, on its irresistible power, to retain hearts as well as to subdue them. Hence the lavish care bestowed on the improvement of exterior and perishable charms, and the neglect of solid and durable excellence; hence the long list of arts that administer to vanity and folly, the countless train of glittering accomplishments, and the scanty catalogue of truly valuable acquirements, which compose, for the most part, the modern system of fashionable female education. Yet so far is beauty from being in our eyes an excuse for the want of a cultivated mind, that the women who are blessed with it, have in reality, a much harder task to perform, than those of their sex who are not so distinguished. Even our self-love here takes part against them; we feel ashamed of having suffered ourselves to be caught like children, by mere outside, and perhaps fall into the contrary extreme. Could "the statue that enchants the world"—the Venus de Medicis, at the prayer of some new Pygmalion, become suddenly animated, how disappointed would he be if she were not endowed with a soul answerable to the inimitable perfection of her heavenly form? Thus it is with a fine woman, whose only accomplishment is external excellence. She may dazzle for a time, but when a man has once thought, "what a pity that such a masterpiece should be but a walking statue," her empire is at an end.

On the other hand, when a woman, the plainness of whose features prevented our noticing her at first, is found, upon nearer acquaintance, to be possessed of the more solid and valuable perfections of the mind, the pleasure we feel in being so agreeably undeceived, makes her appear to still greater advantage, and as the mind of man, when left to itself, is naturally an enemy to all injustice, we, even unknown to ourselves, strive to repair the wrong we have involuntarily done her, by a double portion of attention and rega d. If these observations be founded in truth it will appear, though a woman with a cultivated mind may justly hope to please, without even any superior advantages of person, the loveliest creature that ever came from the hand of her Creator can hope only for a transitory empire unless she unite with her beauty the more durable charm of intellectual excellence. The favored child of nature, who combines in herself these united perfections, may be justly considered as the masterpiece of the creation as the most perfect image of the Divinity here below. Man, the proud lord of the creation, bows willingly his haughty neck beneath her gentle rule. Exalted, tender, beneficent, is the love that she inspires. Even time himself shall respect the all-powerful magic of her beauty. Her charms may fade, but they shall never wither, and memory still in the evening of life, hanging with fond affection over the blanched rose, shall view, through the veil of lapsed years, the tender bud, the dawning promise, whose beauties once blushed before the beams of the morning sun.

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SNAP-SHOTS AND HINTS.

Suggestions Here and There in a Nutshell for Colored People by "Old Uncle Jack."

Sunday religion is good as far as it goes, but for heaven sakes, take it along with you through the week; you may be called on to die on a Monday, then what?

When you injure the feelings of others, and are made aware of it, blurt out the meanest sentence ever framed, "I don't care." Yes, your thick hide ought to be made to feel the weight of a hog skin whip until you do care. See?

Always remember that half the lies told about you are not true. Now don't forget—never attempt to chase down a lie; you will lose time, wear out your shoes and spoil your temper. A lie will go around the world, while truth is pulling its boots on.

Men with pug noses seldom inaugurate great enterprises.

Say, boys, don't be in such a terrible rush! She may not be the right one; there are other women in this wide big world; don't indulge in running your train ahead of schedule time, she will get ditched first thing you know; do you see the point? Don't, whatever you do, court a young lady who is snappish and cross to her parents; she will treat her husband in the same manner; watch and see.

Red hair, especially if kinky, denotes a quick temper; did you know it? It will be well to keep on good terms with a person whose hair is long, black and smoothe, whether his name is Buffalo Bill or Jessie James, otherwise you will be likely to come out second best; he is a stayer—just try it.

Whenever a colored man looks at a Caucasian girl right hard in the South, his life is in danger.

Girls, don't marry a profane man; the man who curses and swears will not find it difficult to lie and do other mean things, and have positive disregard for the best being in the universe, indicating both moral corruption and a coarse, brutal nature.

Girls, don't marry a dude—especially one who parts his hair in the middle, from choice rather than necessity. Your mother might object to having a female son-in-law in the family. See de point? Well, stick to it.

There are more Negroes lynched in one certain state in the South in one year than white men lynched in the whole United States; that's a fact, and not only that, but fiendishism, brutishism and low-gradedness, showing the world what the hellish South is doing; it is actually worse than the Turkish massacres and the Spanish warfare in Cuba.

Say, don't neglect your teeth, allowing filth and decay to accumulate until your breath smells like a dead cat at the door of a soap factory. A pick, a dime tooth brush and a visit to the dentist every now and then will make you fit to live.

Mr. or Mrs., don't invest in hair oils because the color is pleasant to look upon; a young man of our acquaintance bought three bottles of very red hair oil, and bless his soul, the head that was bald inside at the time of the purchase has been bald outside ever since. How do you suppose he feels?

Gentlemen, never marry a young woman who is obliged to advertise for a husband, otherwise she will get a fool and you will get a sham for a wife.

Look here, you who are reading the the great Negro depending journals, go slow in buying "Great Rocky Mountain Antedeluvian Syrups, etc.," warranted to cure everything from a baldhead to an ingrowing toe-nail, and can't cure the blues; they are shams.

Be sure to come poking into church after services are well begun; you can by so doing show off your good clothes to advantage, and at the same time convince the congregation that a lack of buttons on your Sunday shirt caused the delay.

Parents, for God sake, don't scold your children incessantly. A long thunder storm will sour the sweetest milk—yes it will; don't threaten to knock the brains out of your children too often, if they have any. Such language will induce them to leave the brainless parents alone in their glory. Encouraging words now and then will do more towards securing obedience than a dray load of clubs.

Never attempt to force your children to choose a profession or calling in life which they oppose; it is like trying to pull a cat by its tail. Daniel Webster's father tried to make a farmer of him, but Daniel was not sent into the world for that purpose; he complained that his scythe was not hung right. Then hang it to suit yourself, said his father. Daniel hung it on the limb of a tree and began to study law, and you see what a great man he come to be.

Ministers, orators, lecturers, and lawyers, don't scream and holler so loud. You may burst a blood vessel some of these times, then there will be a collapse. Better watch out, preachers.

Editors and business men, don't humbug people with great puffed up advertising lies. You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time Sooner or later you will get what you deserve.

Don't never quarrel with a man whose under jaw is as large and prominent as a bull dog's; such jaws never know when they are whipped.

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In a recent letter he says: "Many winters have I coughed all winter long. Twice have I been compelled to rest from my ministerial duties, for a period of several years. When I took cold in winter the coughing would be intense. Last fall I took cold about the 15th of October, and was sick with it for about a week and began what I supposed was a winter of coughing. My wife called my attention to Dr. Kay's Lung Balm, and after much persuasion on her part, and a free expression (of a not flattering character) about patent medicines, on my part. I concluded to try the Lung Balm. I felt at once that it touched a place in my malady that nothing else had ever done. I began to improve. I used about 5 boxes and can now preach without coughing. I keep it by me and if I take cold I use it. If I have a bronchial irritation after preaching I take Dr. Kay's Lung Balm. I can cheerfully say that the Lung Balm has been a great help to me It has no bad effect upon the stomach. Respectfully yours, J. D. De Tar, Pastor M. E Church, Spring Hill, Iowa, Des Moines Conference." Sold by H. C. Pomeroy opp. post office.

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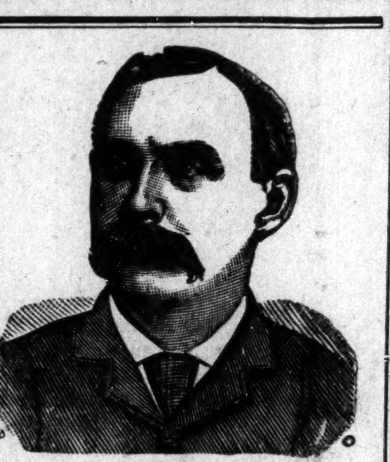

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
2937 Atlantic Ave.

Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years. I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead. Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250. I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me. I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do. Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
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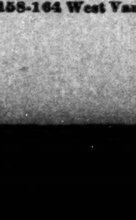

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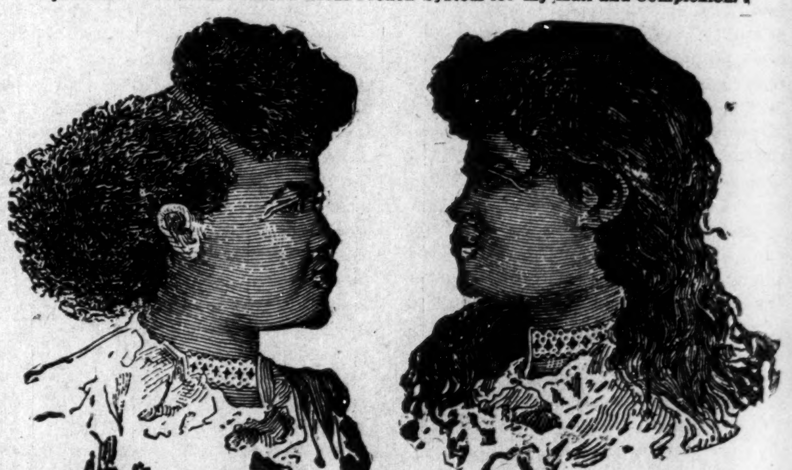

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Pattern No. 101 is cut in five sizes, viz: 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inches waist measure and retails for thirty cents.

102—LADIES' BASQUE.
32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inches bust.

A modish basque is here represented in aubergine brown, the full vest is of black mousseline over yellow satin. A chic bow of the same soft material adors the neck while the free edges of the collar and broad reveres are outlined with jeweled passamenterie A full front and fo ded semi girdle are mounted upon a fitted lining which closes in the centre front with hooks and eyes. The trim adjustment of the basque is accomplished by the customary seams and single bias darts, the fronts sloping away below the waist line while the back is cut with the fashionable flare or ripple. Handsome reveres or an original design well backed from the full vest front and extended well over the stylish gigot sleeves. A pretty collar of Medici shape completes the neck. The sleeves are but moderately full and arranged upon coat shape linings. The wrists are decorated by a knife plaiting of mousseline falling well over the hand. All seasonable fabrian are adapted to the mode which affords charming facilities for the introduction of contrasting materials. Quantity of material 44 inches wide.

For thirty-two inches bust measure 2½ yards, for 36, inches bust measure 2¾ yards, for 40 inches bust measure 3 yards. Pattern No 102 is cut in five sizes viz., 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inches bust measure and retails for twenty-five cents.

121—LADIES' SHIRRED WAIST.
32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust.

A simple yet dainty afternoon waist is here given. It is dove grey of brocatelle showing trimming of yellow, thus introducing one of the most effective combinations of the season, yellow and grey. The full fronts are supported by a well fitted lining that closes in centre front. The fullness at the shoulders edge is gathered in tucked sherrings while at the waist line it is also gathered and arranged beneath a narrow belt over which a narrow taffots ribbon daintly bowed and having long ends. the closing is effected through the centre front invirably. The neck is completed by a standing collar decorated with loops of ribbon. Prettily pointed sleeve caps or epaulettes have the free edges decorated with narrow ribbon and fall well over the sleeve puffs. The sleeves are arranged upon a coat shaped lining of three quarter length and are gathered at the lower edge in tucked sherring to form deep graduated ruffles. Teffate, pau de soie or satin velvet in chiffon will make charming theatre bodice or for more serviceable wear, cashmere, crepon, or soft pliable woolen stuffs are commendable. Quantity of material 36 inches wide. For 32 inches bust measure; 3¾ yards, for 36 inches bust measure 4 yards, for 40 inches bust measure 4¼ yards, for 42 inches bust measure 4½ yards.

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Down Through History.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

It affords me much pleasure to speak of a paper so brilliant in appearance, and whose contents are so interesting as The Freeman—a paper that speaks so forcible in the interest of the colored Americans. You have been hitting the nail on the head by never failing to speak what is right. Every Negro in America ought to read The Freeman. Hon. G. L. Knox can't be too highly commended for supporting and pushing The Freeman. His work and fame shall ever go through the ages of history and be a guidance to coming generations. Enclosed please find renewal for one year. S. A. BRISCOE,
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Olga Nethersole to Write.

Olga Nethersole, the actress, has turned her attention to writing, and will give advice of a practical nature to "The Girl Who Aspires to Elocution." Her contribution will appear in an early issue of The Ladies' Home Journal.

Gibson's New English Girl.

Charles Dana Gibson, in illustrating a short story that narrates the romance of a Princess, for the March Ladies' Home Journal, has created what he regards as his typical English girl. She is said to be as distinctive and striking as his famous American girl, and while essentially different she is quite as interesting. The drawing will illustrate Robert C. V. Meyers' story, "The Morning After the Servia Got In."

Death of a Good Woman.

Athens, Ala., Special.

Miss Patti Julia Malone was born in Athens, Ala., Jan. 17th, 1858, died in Omaha, Neb., Jan. 20, 1897. She received her early training in Trinity school. It was soon discovered that she had a very fine voice and after the proper cultivation she joined the original Fisk Jubilee Singers, traveled around the world and sang before the crowned heads of the land. with her sweet voice she aided in building and furnishing Jubilee Hall at Fisk. In 1876 she joined the "Loudin" Singers, and was a member of that company when she died. She was a consistent member of the Congregational church here, and her friends were all who knew her irrespective of race or color. She had just completed a lovely home here and furnished it elegnntly, having souvenirs and trinkets from all over the world. Instead of resting when she came home she interested herself in those more unfortunate than she, and secured work and positions of trust for many in the North and elsewhere. There is many a home that will miss the generous woman's presence; many a heart that bleeds with her mother and sister that Miss Patti is no more. In her album are autographs from foreign Kings and Queens, ex-President R. B. Hayes, ex-P. M., Gen. D. M. Key, Jno. G. Whittier and many others of prominence in this country. Ask her whenever you would for a rendition of one her sweet songs and sick or well she would never refuse you.

An implorable link in the golden chain of life is broken; her place can never be filled. After her remains reached here, her friends here from Huntsville, Decatur and elsewhere vied with each other in doing what they could to show their respects to this noble type of womanhood. A large concourse of mourners both white and colored followed her remains to the last resting place, strewed choice flowers on her grave and invoked heaven's blessing alike to care for and comfort her relatives. She was devoted to her mother and sister, and if she was ever happy it was when planning some sacrifice that she might make mother and sister happy; but that sweet voice is hushed forever; but that pleasant smile will greet us no more. "That soul is satisfied, for it hath appeared in His likeness. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. M. S Jones and Prof. A. K. Spence of Fisk University. THOS. A. CRENSHAW.

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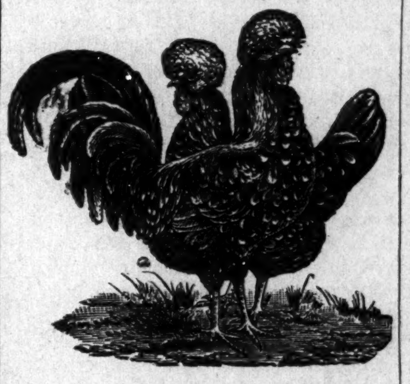

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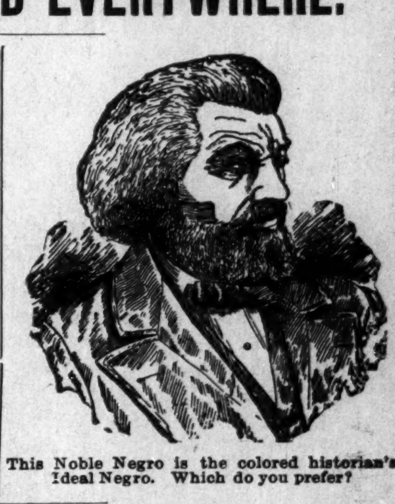

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Benj. Young of Seibert street is able to be out again.

The Freeman can be had at the Bates House Barber Shop.

Mrs. Vaulce Sanders of West North street is seriously ill.

Annie Hines desires legal seperation from her husband John Hines.

Don't fail to ask your grocer for Parrott and Taggart's Domestic Bread.

Miss Lizzie Young Craig of Richmond, will sing in the Musical Festival.

W. H. Johnson of the Bates tonsorial department, after a few days illness is at his post again.

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Jack Francis our well known caterer is lying dangerously ill at his home in West Second street.

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Prof. George W. Cable addressed the Progress Club (white) on last Sunday afternoon subject "Single Tax."

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William T Floyd and A. T. Rogan have formed a co-partnership in the barbering business at 20 Indiana avenue.

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Attorney James T. V. Hill by invitation, addressed the Booker T Washington Literary Club of Irvington on last Tuesday evening.

Prof. Peter Barnett is arranging a serial lecture platform. He anticipates bringing before the public some of our best local talent in the near future.

Young men thinking of investing in property for business or residence will do well to investigate prices and opportunities in the vicinity of Virginia Avenue Fountain.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

T. Kelley, of Tipton, was in the city this week.

Mrs. Mary Felton spent a few days in Plainfield last week.

Miss Jennie Sims has gone to visit her parents in Virginia.

Mrs. Leota Jefferson-Motts attended the inauguration at Washington.

Walter Ward and Miss Clyde Lewis were united in marriage last week.

John Davis, a well known horse dealer of Dillsboro, was a visitor last week.

Wm. Miller, of North Senate avenue was a visitor in New Orleans, La., last week.

Dr. M. A. Williams, an old resident of this city, late of Clarksville, Tenn., has located in the city.

Bishop G. W. Clinton and Presiding Elder Carr of the A. M. E. Zion church were in the city last week.

Miss Emma Woods was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson while attending the inauguration at Washton, D. C.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wocdard Stewart, of Noblesville, passed through the city last Monday enroute to Washington, D. C., to attend the inauguration.

Mrs. Sadie Christy, widow of the late Leroy Christy, after spending several weeks with relatives and friends, has returned to her home in St. Paul, Minn.

Aaron Griffin, the popular barber at Lawson's tonsorial parlors, was married last Monday afternoon to Miss Nellie Mitchell. The Freeman wishes Mr. and Mrs. Griffin a happy journey upon the matrimonial sea.

Joseph Price celebrated his 55th birthday anniversary at his home, 203 Agnes street, last Wednesday evening. His daughter Mrs. Celustus Neal conducted the affair in such style and manner as to please the most fastidious.

Alfred McGruder and Mrs. Patsy Ann Hart were united in marriage Thursday night the 25th at the bride's residence in West North street. Mr. and Mrs. McGruder are old citizens and The Freeman wishes them a long and happy life.

Gentlemen Roomers Wanted

at 163 Bird street, between Illinois and Meridian and New Nork streets. Comfortable rooms. Reasonable rates.

Walter's Literary Lyceum.

There will be an amateur contest in "Elocution" at Walter's Literary Lyceum next Thursday evening. Seven talented young ladies will contest for a first and second prize to be awarded the two persons making the best elocutionary effort. The contestants and their subjects are: Miss Johnny McMurry, "He Doeth His Alms to be seen of Men;" Lillie Williams, "The Gambler's Wife;" Roberta Kincaid, "On Parting." Lena Kirk, "The Quality of Mercy;" Clara Jones, "Antony and Cleopatra;" Luenna Kirk, "Guilty or not Guilty;" Katherine Stevenson, "Death Scene." Three competent judges will decide as to the merits of the contestants. Admission free.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING

You should always think twice and speak once—will sound better.

"Owl" cars don't run on the Brightwood line, consequently he had to remain in the city Saturday night.

A pretty little married woman will, in all probability, shortly become a member of the famous Widow's Club. "She has troubles of her own." Next!

To one lady he admitted that he had been married three years, and to another one, five years. How's that? Explain old boy.

Men should be more careful of their conversations in regards to women when in barber shops or other public places. Just remember that you have wives, daughters, mothers, and sisters.

Since the first one married and left him, he has found no balm to heal his broken heart, and firmly says he will never wed—will remain true to his lost love, though to him she is dead. It is rumored, however, that Cupid is again tampering with his heart.

A certain gentleman, well-known in the Mystic Circles, is mad. Cause: A little complimentary notice was overlooked last week, in which this plumed Knight was mentioned, and he now gives vent to his ire by stopping that "old paper—nuthin' in it." We forgot to turn the column rules to mourn his loss. "Other notions in the store."

The Victoria (Tex.) Guide in its last issue has this to say concerning us: "Swamp Angel, who contributes interesting articles to The Indianapolis Freeman, is a good writer, and he gives a few reasons, in the issue of the 20th of that paper, which in our opinion, is doing more to retard the race than any thing else. Read and adhere to it."

The Negro race has come a long way out of the well of degradation, but he has a much longer distance to go up the ladder of fame. More of its members had better get to climbing, says the Item, before all the rounds are occupied and there will be no room.

The silliest thing in the world, says the Mirror, is to fear what people think and say about us when we are following a course that is manifestly right. This world is infested with a lot of snarling reprobates whose chief occupation is trying to prove that truth, honesty and virtue never had any existence outside the cover of books, and that all men act from motives purely selfish. What they think and say is of no consequence. They have no value to the world more than booming its population. They malign everybody, kick about everything and when Judgment Day arrives will enter a complaint against the Angel Gabriel for disturbing the peace.

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Election of Officers.

The Alpha Home Association will meet at New Bethel Baptist church, Thursday March 11, at which time the annual election of officers will take place, and it is earnestly hoped that all the members will be present.

Hulda Webb, Pres.
Amanda Wells, Sec'y.

Who Are They?

To the citizens of Indianapolis: The Freeman would like as a matter of curiosity and to settle a very much mooted question, have you forward to this office within the next ten days the names of three colored citizens who you think are the greatest benefactors, or who assists the race most largely and your reasons for the same.

The Monkey Theatre.

Wormwood's Monkey theatre opened at Tomlinson Hall last Tuesday evening for a two week's engagement with a large attendance. The performances given by the trained dogs, birds and monkeys is interesting and almost human intelligence is exercised by them in the exhibition of some of their tricks and feats. The show is in four parts and affords amusement for all.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

There will be special services at this church to-morrow. Gospel song service and Quarterly effort at 11 a. m. "Christ the Righteousness of God." At 3 p. m., special sermon by Rev. T. R. Prentice. At 8 p. m., "Christ Can't be Hid." If you want to hear the gospel clearly expounded and eloquently delivered don't fail to hear Dr. Lawton to-morrow. Let all the churches be largely represented at the 3 o'clock union service.

Rev. Lawton will read a paper at the Indianapolis Literary, subject "Stumps in the Way," at the Ninth Presbyterian church Tuesday, March 9th at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Willis Bryant will read an interesting review.

CORINTHIAN CHURCH NOTES.

If you want to enjoy a Sunday morning service, attend our Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

Regular services to-morrow at 10:45 a. m. Communion at 3 p. m.; preaching at 7:45 p. m.

Last Sunday was a day that will ever be remembered in the history of this church. The baptizing of seven converts in our new baptismal fount brought out an extra large congregation to witness the ceremonies which were administered by Elder Jno. J. Blackshear, assisted by Deacon Bryd.

At 3 p. m. Rev. Benj. Farrell of Mt. Zion Baptist church preached a very interesting sermon. Quite a large number of the Mt. Zion congregation were present and rendered valuable assistance in the rally.

At 7:45 p. m. an interesting sermon was preached by Elder Blackshear, subject, "Christianity and Moral Living." The sermon was filled with good instruction and advice. A large congregation was present, and the right hand of fellowship was extended to thirteen members.

The rally was quite a success. The president and members of each club deserves much credit for their noble work. The report of the clubs are as follows: Mrs. Virginia Lewis, $57; Mrs. H. A. Webb, $55; Mrs. Kittie Minter, $51.50; Mrs. Lucy Durham, $35.50; Mrs. Malinda Thomas, $25.02; Mrs. Bertha Young, $23.30; Mrs. Luella Coleman, $21.48; Mrs. Lucy Jones, $5; total for clubs, $273.80; general collection $20.20; total all day, $294. The captains of two clubs, Mrs. Kate Reed and Mrs. Mollie Brown, failed to assist on account of sickness.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Mrs. Biggens of the South-side is on the sick list.

The five o'clock prayer meeting is still in progress.

Communion services will be held tomorrow at 2:30 p. m.

The Sunday school was well attended last Sabbath. Collection $2 75.

Services were well attended last Sabbath all day. Rev J. H. Harris officiated. Collection $75 00.

The Rev. Toliver of Waco, Tex., will soon be in the city to assist in another series of meetings at the Second Baptist church.

Dr. Carr, who has been in Lexington Ky., conducting a successful series of meetings has returned, and will probably go to Chattanooga, Tenn.

The Bouquet Circle entertained the Orinocos at Mrs. Ellis' in Sheldon street. The topic for discussion was "Our Own Opinion." Mrs. C. Thompson opened the discussion, after which luncheon was served in three courses.

The Orinocos were entertained by Mrs. Hurt in Hiawatha street last Thursday. The discussion was "The Evils that Await the Women of To-day."

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Communion next Sunday morning.

One addition to the church Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Johnson's father is still very ill.

Prayer meeting was well attended last Thursday evening.

Geo. Zion and Little Carol Middleton are on the sick list. Mrs. P. W. Streat is out again after a few day's illness.

Last Sunday night the Christian Endeavors held quite an interesting meeting. The papers read by Miss Golden Jones, Mrs. Ella Williams, Wm. Thompson and Prof. Milton Benson were very instructive. The solo by Miss May Jackson was well received.

The stewardesses will give an entertainment at the residence of Mrs. Mary Jackson next Friday night.

The Auxilliary Club will give a spelling match Friday night, March 12th at the church. All are invited.

The Twentieth Century Society was well attended last Wednesday evening. It will meet every week. Ollie Clay presided.

No more notices will be read in the church except funerals. All will be printed in the "Church Announcer" which you will receive Sunday mornings and evenings at the church door.

All are invited to be present next Sunday evening to hear the special sermon by Rev. Murray—"Where Shall I Find a Wife—There is a Woman for every Man and a Man for every Woman."

JONES' TABERNACLE NOTES.

Mrs. P. Taylor, Mrs. Mamie Ramey, Miss Lillie Chandler and James Bell's little son are on the sick list.

Rt. Rev. G. W. Clinton, D. D., left Sunday night for St. Louis, thence to California to hold conference which convenes the 17th.

Quarterly meeting services last Sunday was a success, both spiritually and financially. Rev. W. J. King preached at 11 a. m., and Rev. A. L. Murray of Allen Chapel preached at 3 p. m. to a large audience. Both speaker and people enjoyed the sermon; 375 communed. Rt. Rev. Geo. W. Clinton, D. D., organized a Varick Christian Endeavor Society at 7 p. m. with thirty members. At 8 p. m. he preached an excellent sermon to a large and appreciative audience. Our love feast was largely attended and we had a spiritual feast.

SECOND CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Services Sunday at 11 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. M. F. Womack, subject, "Regeneration." At 8 p. m., subject, "Handwriting on the Wall." Public invited.

The Sunday school is well attended every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. The Mission, corner Seventeenth (old Eighth) and Yandes streets is also doing nicely. Visitors invited and made welcome at all services.

The young ladies of the Sunday school have organized a club for the benefit of the Sunday school intellectually, spiritually, socially and financially. Miss Daneva Donnell is president, and Miss Daisy M. Johnston, secretary.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our deepest and most heartfelt thanks to our many friends who assisted us in the late bereavement, the death of our sister and daughter, Ida.

Mrs. Wm. Smith and Family,
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Personal Mention.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.

Mrs. Callie Lawrence is on the sick list. Mr. Walter Maddox has retured from Selma University. Mr. Isham Shorter is on the sick list. Rev. G. H. Upshaw is pastor of New Hope A. M. E. and Mt. Zion churches of this city. Last Sunday evening a number of ladies and gentlemen met at St. Luke's A. M. E. church for the purpose of organizing a Christian Endeavor Society. The officers will be elected Sunday evening the 7th. The Baptist church is holding revival meeting being conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Jackson. A great interest is being manifested. Mr. Henry Rivers of Bluff City Lodge No. 3700, is on the sick list. F. P. Butler is a great admirer of The Freeman. Mr. H. Jackson of this city, says The Freeman is the best colored journal Publish. Rev. D. C. Edmonson of Troy, Ala., spent several days here last week. Mr. Charlie Johnson, our barber, is a great admirer of The Freeman. Rev. R. T. Pollard of Montgomery, Ala., spent several days last week.

Applicants for Engineership.

Columbus, O., Special.

Wilbur King and L. W. Curtis have formed a partnership and opened up a law office. Trouble over a game of cards resulted in the death of Charlie Green who was shot by Joe Smith in a saloon on Long street Friday evening. W. Renyolds has opened a shoe shop on Monroe avenue. J. P. Swan has opened a union barber shop. S. Turner contractor opened an office on Monroe street. Civil service rule was applied by chief Heinmiller to the colored applicants for position as firemen, and it was never known or even suspected that the fire chief had any love for civil service reform when the applicant for the fire department was a white man To try to defeat the the plain provision of the king ordinance is a fatal move which stipulates that the Oak street engine house is to be equipped by a colored company and colored applicants for engineerships were ordered before the assistant fire chief, where they were required to write their examinations. He will pass on them and turn them over to the tender mercy of director Williams for final action. Mrs. Ida Scating secured a divorce and $250.00 alimony from her husband

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